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THE DEDICATED LIFEGUARDS for 1994's Perry Lane Day Camp - Sandi Angotti, Tara Christian (head lifeguard), Steve Lewis, Dena Gagne (assistant head lifeguard), Jason Daly, Mary-Lynn Scortino, Dan Moriarty, and Karen Dean. (Missing from photo: Tim Christian.)

Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Camp Rainbow Enjoys "Moonwalk"



CAMPERS AT CAMP RAINBOW, the town's special needs summer camp, enjoy the "Moonwalk" last week. Camp Rainbow is based at Robinson Park. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Perry Lane Campers Keeping Cool In The Pool This Summer

by Holly Pevzner
Advertiser News Staff

With Mother Nature nudging Agawam's temperatures well into the 90's this summer, Perry Lane Day Camp is more grateful than ever for its band of certified lifeguards. This year, Agawam's Park and Recreation Director, Jack Kunasek, has 10 talented young people overseeing the campers' swimming activities at Perry Lane.

For her second consecutive year, Tara Christian, a recent graduate of Providence College, has taken on the role of head lifeguard. Accompanying Tara is assistant head lifeguard Dena Gagne. Also acting as lifeguards and swim instructors are Sandi Angotti, Tim Christian, Tim Church, Jay Daly, Karen Dean, Stephen Lewis, Dan Moriarty, and Mary-Lynn Scortino.

Each lifeguard at Perry Lane is certified by the American Red Cross. Several of the guards have also received their Advanced Lifeguard Instructor Badges.

Kunasek, who served as a lifeguard himself while in high school and college, goes through the interviewing and hiring process with the lifeguards and swim instructors. Besides looking for the obvious credentials, Kunasek looks for those "who are genuinely interested, concerned, and dedicated to kids."

SEE LIFEGUARDS - Education Section...

Council Approves Site For New Fire Station Amid Controversy

by Kathy Cassanelli
News Editor

At its Monday, August 1st meeting, Town Council approved Mayor Christopher C. Johnson's proposal to build a new Fire Department Headquarters next to the Agawam Cemetery on Main Street.

With a vote of 9 yes, 1 no, and 1 absent, Town Council approved \$1.65 million to build a modern fire station, purchase a new fire pump truck, and acquire three pieces of property by eminent domain.

Fire Department officials were elated that the overcrowded conditions they have been working under since the Ottawa Street Fire Station was closed 16 years ago will be alleviated when the new station opens in the fall of 1995.

Deputy Fire Chief Bill Parent noted, "This is going to be a big relief for the members of the Fire Department. Morale will be up 100% now."

While nearly 20 members of the Fire Department attended the meeting, five firefighters (including union President Steven Castelli) addressed the council in support of the proposed fire station.

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FIRE STATION - from Page 1...**Lengthy Debate Regarding Repair Garage**

After lengthy debate and discussion focusing on the plight of 76 year-old resident George Webster, who operates a repair garage on a portion of the site, Councilor Gary Suffriti cast the only vote against the land-taking (by eminent domain) of three parcels of land on Main Street near Elm Street.

"I cannot support this tonight, knowing what I'd be doing to a town resident," Suffriti said.

While each councilor expressed their sympathy for Webster's predicament, each echoed the theme that the needs of the community must come before the needs of the individual.

Councilor Nancy Thompson Gravel noted, "It's very difficult when you have to impinge on a citizen's home and land. We have to go forward."

Councilor David Skolnick said, "It's one of the toughest decisions I've yet to make."

Representing Webster, Springfield Attorney William P. Farrell said despite what the council had been led to believe, his client currently operates Webster's Garage on a full-time basis, six days a week, from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

According to Farrell, Webster supports himself and his two permanently disabled adult children on the income earned from his repair business.

Farrell said the \$70,000 Webster would receive under the taking by eminent domain was \$17,900 less than the value the property was assessed for this year. Farrell later said, "This is an insult to him (Webster)."

Farrell said there is nothing to prevent the town from seeking another appraisal of the property to determine the fair market value. Farrell also said

the town is not prohibited from sitting down to negotiate with Webster for the purchase of his property through the bid process (under the provisions of Chapter 30B of the Massachusetts General Laws).

After the meeting, Farrell said that with the exception of Councilors Suffriti, Thomas Ennis, and Robert Danie, the councilors either did not understand or chose to ignore the issue of the loss of Webster's livelihood with the closing of his garage.

Only Suffriti and Danie supported Ennis's move to table the land-taking for 30 days.

"I still think there's an alternative here if we wanted to take the time," Suffriti said.

Farrell urged the council to delay making a final decision. "If you take that property tonight, it's a final action. You can't undo what you do tonight."

Johnson Defends Choice Of Main Street Site

Johnson defended his choice of the Main Street site. He identified response time as the single most important criterion in the site selection process.

According to Johnson, the Main Street location was best for a two-station configuration and would also provide the best location to fit into a three-station configuration in the future.

Suffriti called the odds of getting a third fire station "next to nil."

Other properties on Main Street that had been considered for the new fire station were rejected for various reasons. Johnson said the Nissen Thrift Store property was too small and the Southworth property was too large. Additionally, visibility was seriously jeopardized by the hill just before the Southworth location.

Johnson said he is prevented by state law from negotiating to purchase property. The town can

acquire property only by seeking bids from property owners or by eminent domain land-takings, he said.

According to the Mayor, the process of accepting bids from property owners would not work and the town would end up taking the property by eminent domain.

However, Johnson said once property has been taken under eminent domain. He would then be able to negotiate a settlement if a suit is filed seeking monetary damages.

Councilor Vivian Dziardziel said, "I'm sure the administration will sit down and negotiate with Mr. Webster in good faith if he files a claim in court."

The real issue is not the value of the land, but the loss of his business, Farrell explained. The value of the property can be challenged in court. "He (Mr. Webster) has no remedy for the relocation of his business," Farrell added.

Farrell said he will be filing an action against the town for failure to comply with provisions of Chapter 79A that require the town to get state approval to appoint a "relocation entity" to assist a business owner who is being displaced before taking land through eminent domain.

Farrell said Webster was unaware that the town had been considering his property for a period of nine months before informing him of its decision to take his property (just three days before the proposal was submitted to Town Council at the July 11th meeting).

Farrell said the news "fell on his head like a bomb."

Webster has four months to vacate his property under a taking by eminent domain. He has operated the garage since 1952.

LEGAL NOTICE**LEGAL NOTICE****TOWN OF AGAWAM
AGAWAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

The Agawam Conservation Commission will meet on Thursday, August 11, 1994 at 7:15 PM in the Faolin Peirce Community Room, Agawam Police Station, 681 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, MA. This hearing, pursuant to the provisions of General Laws Chapter 131 Section 40, is called to act upon the petition of Fruwirth to perform work subject to the Wetlands Protection Act on Fruwirth Avenue.

Henry A. Kozloski, Chairman
Agawam Conservation Commission
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IRS Says Extension Deadline Nears

Time is running out for those taxpayers who filed a Form 4868, "Extension of Time To File," on April 15th.

"More than 112,000 Massachusetts taxpayers have until midnight August 15th to file their income tax returns and pay the balance due," said Francine Crowley, Boston IRS Director.

If you can not pay the taxes owed by the due date, file your return anyway and attach Form 9465, "Installment Agreement Request." This form allows you to request a monthly payment plan and specify the amounts you are able to pay

each month.

If you have made payments since you filed the extension form, make sure you include that amount when filing your return.

Failure to file tax returns can result in severe penalties. The failure to file penalty is five percent per month of the balance due on the return, not to exceed 25%.

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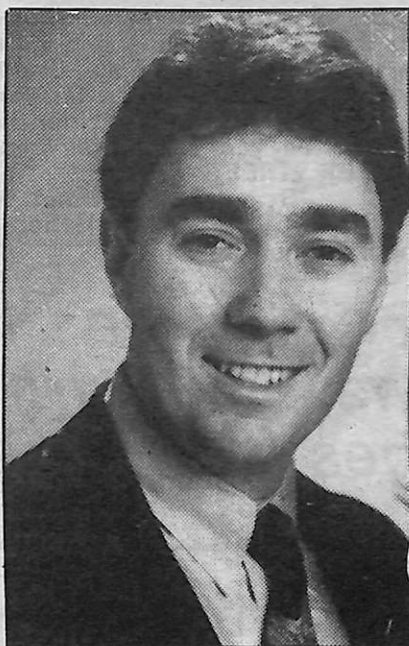
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Letters To The Editor

Town Receives Kudos For Pedestrian Crosswalks

To The Editor:

Gratitude and commendations to Agawam Mayor Christopher Johnson and the DPW! Two critical pedestrian crosswalks have been just recently painted in Feeding Hills Center!

It's taken over two years of effort, but patience, perseverance, and tenacity have paid off. The next phase will be driver education and more evident signage at key locations of heavy pedestrian traffic, such as now exists in downtown Springfield on Main Street under the airwalk between Baystate West and the old Steiger's building.

The existing signs in the town pertaining to the state law regarding pedestrian right-of-way are virtually useless with the sign on the northbound lane of Suffield Street entering Agawam STILL misspelled with the word "Pedestrian."

Note the editorial that appeared in a recent issue (July 18th, 1994) of the *Springfield Union-News*:

"Not all motorists traveling through Palmer have been stopping for pedestrians at crosswalks, even though the town has placed orange barrels in the road with signs warning that walkers have the right of way. Palmer is among numerous communities that have painted crosswalks on busy streets for pedestrians' safety, in accordance with state law. That makes drivers who are expected to stop, and don't, a greater menace than ever."

Finally, the common concern for the safety of pedestrians combined with appropriate enforcement of the law by the police department will alleviate a hazardous problem. Also, attention is again submitted regarding the six-second interval allowed for crossing the street when the stop buttons halt vehicular traffic for pedestrians to walk across the street. We are making progress slowly but surely.

John S. Mullen
Feeding Hills

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF AGAWAM BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing at the Agawam Middle School Cafeteria, on 68 Main Street, THURSDAY, AUGUST 11, 1994 at 6:45 P.M. o'clock, for all parties interested in the appeal of BDI DEVELOPMENT GROUP, which is seeking a Special Use Permit Exception in accordance with Section 180-11 of the Zoning Ordinances which would allow for the construction of a "Retirement Community" on a parcel of land off COOPER STREET and to the rear of the Italian Sportmen's Club.

By order of the Board of Appeals,
Ronald A. Hebert, Chairman

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EDITOR'S NOTE: The Town Council asked us to print the name, address, and phone number of each council member the first of every month. Please clip & save.

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Bitzas Pledges Support For More Funding For Seniors

In a statement released this week, George Bitzas, Agawam Town Council Vice President and Candidate for State Representative in the Third Hampden District, has announced his support for more funding for senior citizen services.

"As your representative," he stated, "I pledge to work hard to provide more funding to the Office of Elder Affairs for support of local Councils on Aging. The funding could be used to expand existing services to senior citizens such as meals on wheels, elder home care, and senior activities."

Bitzas also pledged to increase funding in the Executive Office of Communities and Development for senior center construction and expansion, as well as for the addition of new elderly housing. He said, "In my work as a Councilor in Agawam, I have had the pleasure of meeting and talking with many senior citizens. They are a great source of knowledge and experience."

"Agawam has a fantastic senior center," he continued, emphasizing, "but it needs to expand to be able to handle the projected increase in the elderly population. As the next century approaches, our generation must take steps to handle the present needs of our senior citizens, and plan for our future needs as retirees."

Bitzas indicated his strong support for the expansion of the Agawam Senior Center and for the continued high quality of life enjoyed by the many seniors who visit the center.

He said, "The fastest growing segment of our population are senior citizens and in order to accommodate their needs in the future, Massachusetts needs to make an investment today. A failure to act now will lead to a tremendous fiscal burden being placed on our children and grandchildren."

Bitzas thanks all the seniors who have provided his campaign with great ideas and suggestions, and again urges all residents of the Third Hampden District to contact him at 789-1464 with their questions or concerns.



STATE REPRESENTATIVE CANDIDATE George Bitzas (D-Agawam) chats with Agawam senior citizens at the Agawam Senior Center last week. Seniors in photo are Lillian Chechile, Bill Case, Renee LaRiviere, Anna Eddy, and Chet Comins.

State Rep. Candidate George Bitzas Holding Office Hours At Headquarters

George Bitzas, Agawam City Council Vice President and candidate for State Representative, will have office hours this Sunday, August 7th, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in his campaign headquarters. The headquarters are located at 886 Springfield Street in Feeding Hills.

Bitzas would like to invite residents of the Third

Hampden District to come and discuss issues facing our state.

"If anyone would like to join our committee, feel free to visit us or call us at 789-1464, 786-1982, or 786-1093. We will be happy to have you aboard," concluded Bitzas.

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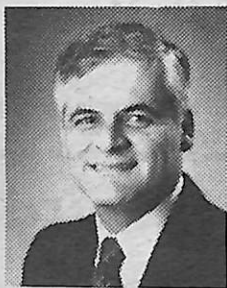


STATE REP. CANDIDATE Dan Keenan (top photo) with some of the residents who attended the grand opening of his headquarters on Walnut Street Extension: Bill Farwell, Ken Grady, Art Book, Ernie Book, Eva Nascembeni, Margaret Colburn, Walter Kerr, and Cathy Willis. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



STATE REP. CANDIDATE DAN KEENAN (D-Blandford, standing, right) greets residents, from left - Tom Leahy, Anita McNamee, Ralph T. Liptak, Rosemarie K. Cudworth, and Anthony Greenway at the opening of his headquarters on Walnut St. Extension on July 27th.

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Melconian Announces Favorable Report On Transportation Bill

Senator Linda J. Melconian (D-Springfield), a senior member of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means, has announced the favorable report of the \$6 billion Transportation Bond Bill, a funding level which is approximately 38% of the entire FY95 Budget.

The initiatives offered by the Senator and incorporated in the Bond Bill include: appropriating the Public Works Economic Development (PWED) Grant monies in the amount of \$50 million for the improvement of highways and bridges critical for Agawam; allocating \$16.7 million for the Route 57 extension project and adding one million of that for the construction of the Bowles Road access to the Agawam Industrial Park; appropriating \$1.5 million to establish a prototype and test site for MAGLEV (Magnetic Levitation) High Speed Ground Transportation; and ensuring that at least \$100 million will be used for other road and bridge projects specifically in the Western Massachusetts counties, Hampden included.

"The transportation bond bill took months to reach the Senate and during that time, many construction projects were at a standstill. Today, the Committee has reported a bill which I made sure secured the necessary PWED monies and earmarked funding for the infrastructure projects in our area of the state," said Melconian.

Melconian further stated that as Chairwoman of the Senate Committee on Science and Technology, she recognizes the importance of having a sound infrastructure system to foster economic development and create jobs. "The implementation of a Pittsfield to Boston MAGLEV system via Springfield will do just that for our region," Melconian added.

In addition, the Joint Conference Committee reported on the Capital Outlay Project bond bill which includes Chapter 90 transportation money for local aid. Agawam will receive \$1,028,160 in addition to the money appropriated in the FY95 Budget.

Agawam Obituaries

Pauline Woodruff

Pauline (Packard) Woodruff, 76, of 44 School Street, Agawam, died in a local nursing home. Born in Livermore Falls, Maine, she moved to this area in the 1940's.

An active member of the First Baptist Church, she was chairwoman of the church's Trading Post. She received the 1991 Deacon's Award for her work with the post.

She was a past president of the United Women of the Baptist Church, and a past president and treasurer of the Agawam Women's Club.

Her husband, the late Clyde G. Woodruff, died in 1987.

She leaves a son, Russell C. Woodruff of Seattle, Washington; a niece, Jeanne Daniels of Enfield, CT; and a sister, Beulah True of Livermore Falls.

A memorial service was conducted in the church, with burial at the convenience of the family. Agawam Curran-Jones Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to the First Baptist Church, 760 Main Street, Agawam, MA 01001, or the American Cancer Society, 383 Dwight Street, Holyoke, MA 01040.

Andrew J. Retzler

Andrew J. Retzler, infant son of James R. and Bridgette M. (Jackson) Retzler, of 128 Meadow Street, Agawam, died Wednesday, July 20th, 1994 at Baystate Medical Center.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by his paternal grandparents, James and Ursula Retzler of Westfield; maternal grandfather, Charles Jackson of Jacksonville, Florida; maternal grandmother, Mary Lou McGee of Florida; paternal great-grandmother, Gertrude Fuchs; one great-uncle, Rainer Fuchs, both of Bayreuth, Germany; and one uncle, Jeffrey Retzler of Westfield.

Services were private and at the convenience of the family. Arrangements were from Colonial Funeral Home, 985 Main Street, Agawam.

All the local news with us, each week

Bitzas Committee Planning Ziti Dinner



THE COMMITTEE TO ELECT GEORGE BITZAS, State Representative, are hard at work making plans for the upcoming fundraiser. A ziti and meatball dinner will be held at the Polish American Club on Wednesday, August 10th, from 5:00 to 7:30 p.m. From left - Joann McGeoghan, Sue Jorgensen, Patrick Nolan, Bitzas, Ron LaLancette, Ray Moreau, Sally Edson, and Maria Sutton.

Fire Wise

by Fire Chief David Pisano

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overheated furnace, or some other heat source to create property damage, injury, or kill.

The Agawam Fire Department reminds you to rid your home or workplace of rubbish, trash, old newspapers, worn-out clothes, and cardboard boxes. Take the trash outside for temporary storage, staged for removal and away from heat sources.

For further information, contact the Agawam Fire Department at 786-2662.

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Memorial Carnival For Lisa Ziegert At Perry Lane Park

The Perry Lane Camp Staff and campers wish to invite the general public to the Lisa Ziegert Memorial Carnival on Thursday, August 11th, beginning at 10:00 a.m. (rain date is Friday, August 12th).

All types of games of chance and contests will be run. Bring your nickels, dimes, and quarters. Prizes will be awarded to all winners.

All proceeds will be placed in a special fund to send Agawam children in need to Perry Lane Camp. The money raised will be used for two-week camperships in the summer of 1995 for those who qualify.

Last year's carnival raised \$600. Hopefully, this year's event will reach and exceed that amount!

Ag. Library To Host "Beach Party" For Summer Reading Club

Members (aged three and up) of the Agawam Public Library's Summer Reading Club are invited to a Reading Club "Beach Party" on Wednesday, August 24th, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Come join in the summer fun with stories, music, and crafts.

Be prepared to try the library's version of surfing, snacking, and building of sandcastles. Don't forget your towel!

Please call the library at 789-1550 or stop by at 750 Cooper Street to register for this program.

Applications Available For Seasonal Positions In Rec. Dept.

Applications are now being accepted for seasonal positions with the Agawam Recreation Department. If interested, you may pick up an application from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, in the Personnel Office located in Town Hall.

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HERITAGE HALL NURSING HOME EAST BUILDING RESIDENTS Mary Baillargeon and Marion Miklaski enjoy hamburgers and the fixing last Sunday. Both residents are part of "The Functional Unit." Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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As an extension of their professional funeral services, the Forastieres provide several different kinds of support groups to meet the individual needs of the bereaved.

A support group FOR ANYONE GRIEVING A DEATH will be held on **Wednesday, August 10th**, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Captain Charles Leonard House, 663 Main Street, in Agawam.

A support group FOR THOSE WHOSE SPOUSE DIED OVER 18 MONTHS AGO will be held on **Wednesday, August 10th**, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Captain Charles Leonard House, 663 Main Street, in Agawam. Participants are asked to bring a "brown bag lunch."

A support group FOR THOSE WHOSE SPOUSE DIED LESS THAN 18 MONTHS AGO will be held on **Wednesday, August 10th**, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at the same location.

A support group for "Younger Widowed," designed SOLELY FOR THOSE WHO ARE UNDER 45 YEARS OF AGE, will be held on **Thursday, August 11th**, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the First Congregational Church, 7 Somers Road, in East Longmeadow.

A support group FOR ANYONE WHO HAS LOST A SPOUSE is available for those who cannot conveniently attend the other groups. It will be held on **Tuesday, August 23rd**, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 181 Elm Street, in East Longmeadow.

These support groups are on-going, 12 months a year. There is no pre-registration required, nor commitment to attend. Participants need merely to go to any group they choose.

All groups are provided FREE OF CHARGE by the Forastiere Family Funeral Homes and are facilitated by Grief Counselor Lila Forastiere.

For further information, call 733-5311.

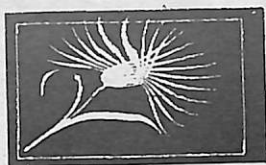
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The Corn Was Sweet At Stepanik Farm



GETTING READY FOR THE CORN-ON-THE-COB eating contest at the roadside farmstand of Stepanik Farm (Shoemaker Lane) are, from left - Ethan Baird, Shaun Epps, and Richard Stepanik, Jr. The contest was held last Sunday. RELATED PHOTOS ON NEXT PAGE. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

PLEASE REMEMBER that our deadline is every Tuesday at noontime. We open weekdays at 6:30 a.m. We appreciate those early-birds on Friday & Monday.



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Forest Park Zoological Society Has Campaign To Name Bear Cub

The Forest Park Zoological Society proudly announces it has a second adorable bear cub that has joined Bandy the bear at the Zoo In Forest Park.

A special fundraising appeal to name the cub is being undertaken. For \$1 a vote, you may name the bear and win one of several great prizes.

The first prize is a weekend for two at the Springfield Marriott Hotel and having the bear named as the donor wishes. Other prizes consist of a second weekend donated by the Springfield Marriott Hotel; a family membership in the Forest Park Zoological Society; and a \$25 gift certificate in the Zoo's Gift Shop.

All a person has to do is send a tax-deductible donation to the Forest Park Zoological Society, P.O. Box 80295, Springfield, MA 01138. Please designate the bear's name; for example, a \$25 donation will represent 25 chances to win one of the prizes.

Winners will be drawn on September 11th and will be promptly notified. In addition, donations and name designations can be made at the Zoo's Ticket Booth or Gift Shop.

Parker Hodgman, President of the Forest Park Zoological Society, noted that "this is a wonderful opportunity to provide needed funds to the Zoo and, at the same time, help name our adorable cub and win great prizes. I urge all area residents to participate."

For further information on the campaign and the Zoo In Forest Park located in Springfield, call (413) 733-2251.

Ag. Senior Center's Weekly Lunch Menu

Monday, August 8th: Chicken pot-pie (chicken, potatoes, carrots, onions, peas), tossed salad, oatmeal bread, cantaloupe.

Tuesday, August 9th: Turkey soup, meatball grinder, summer squash, apple turnover.

Wednesday, August 10th: Meatloaf w/gravy, baked potato, green beans, whole wheat bread, blackberry cup with whipped topping.

Thursday, August 11th: Baked chicken leg, au gratin potatoes, mixed vegetables, pumpernickel bread, pineapple chunks.

Friday, August 12th: Egg salad, pasta salad, tomato/cucumber salad, rye bread, canned pears.

(Menu subject to change without notice.)

Genealogy Workshop To Be Held At Conn. Valley Hist. Museum

The Connecticut Valley Historical Museum will offer an introductory genealogy workshop on Monday, August 15th, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the museum, located at the Quadrangle (corner of State and Chestnut Streets in Springfield, MA).

Genealogist John P. O'Connor will teach participants to use census records, vital records, city directories, passenger lists, naturalization records, and gravestone inscriptions. He will introduce them to microfilm and microfiche, as well as the wealth of materials available in the Museum's Genealogy and Local History Library.

Cost of the workshop will be \$30 (\$25 for members of the Springfield Library & Museums). For additional information, call the museum at (413) 732-3080.

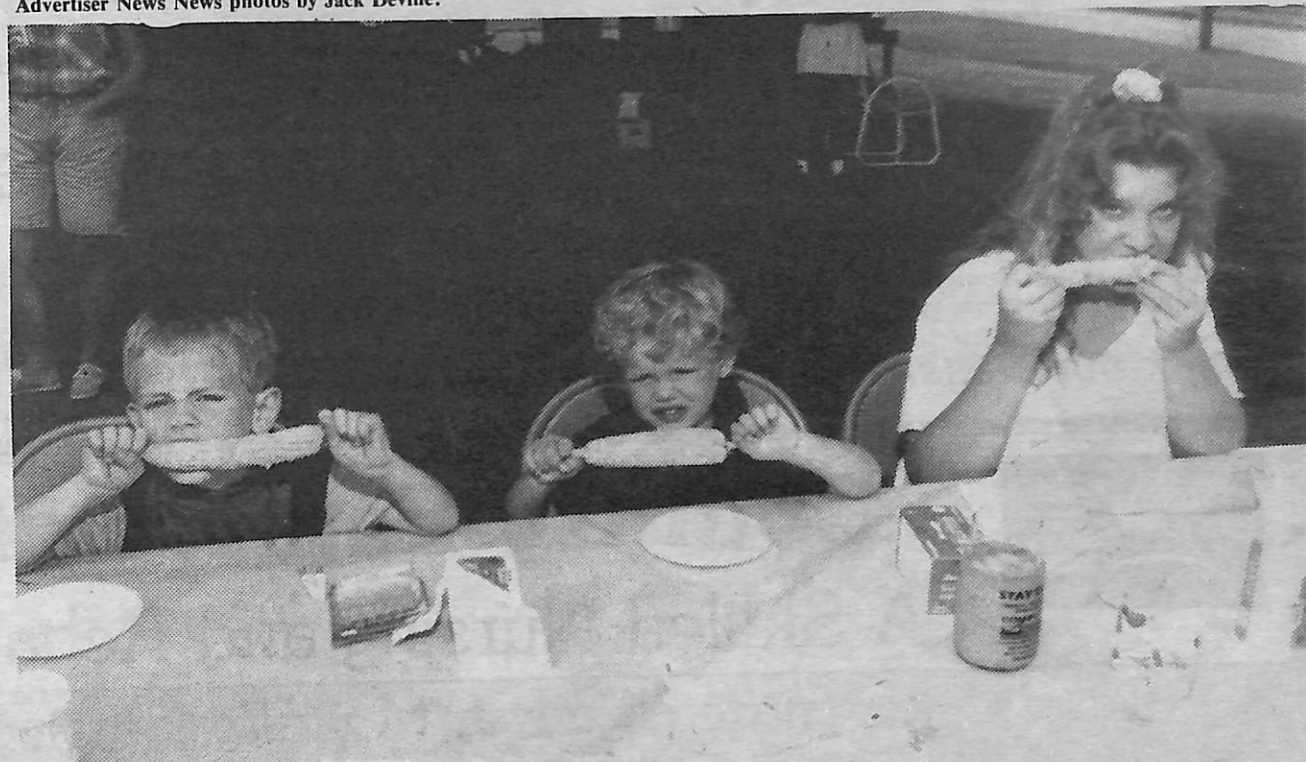
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Corn-Eating Contest At Stepanik Farm



THE STEPANIK FAMILY of Feeding Hills, owners of Stepanik Farms (with a roadside farm stand located on Shoemaker Lane) set up tables late Sunday afternoon for a corn-on-the-cob eating contest. **IN TOP PHOTO**, from left - Donald Stepanik, Randy Schott, Ted Nadrowski, Brian "Slim" Stepanik, and Stan Mazur. **IN PHOTO BELOW** - Danny Williamson, Adam Lindeland, and Ann Czarnecki. **RELATED PHOTOS ON PREVIOUS PAGE.**

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Church News

Hymn-Sing & Pot-Luck Supper Enjoyed By All At Valley Community

A grand ol' time was had by everyone who attended the hymn-sing and pot-luck supper at Valley Community Church on Saturday, July 30th. This joyful experience of friendship and fellowship was shared by all who attended. Old friends were reacquainted and new friends were made all on one Saturday evening "HIGH ON A HILLTOP."

The pot-luck supper, featuring a variety of family favorites, was enjoyed by everyone. After filling ourselves to capacity, we waddled over to the Red Door Theater.

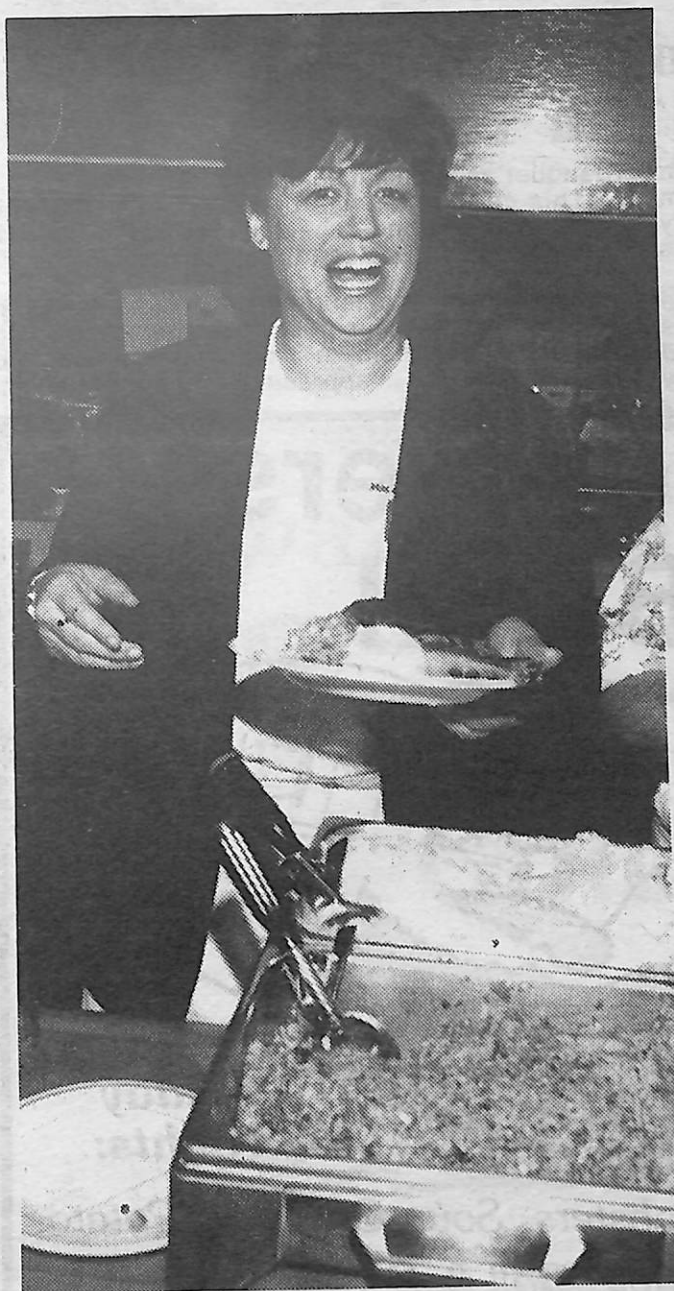
What a glorious hymn-sing! The Greater Springfield Korean Presbyterian Youth Singers certainly lived up to their spiritual reputation. If you looked among the audience, you couldn't help but notice the smiling and contented faces, along with the hand-clapping and toe-tapping, of those who were there.

Joining in for several hymns were church members, "Dynamo" Don Safford, Margie Secora, Lyle Pearsons, and our own Rev. Stephen Dennehy. The choir made you want to jump right up and join in singing. They are truly inspirational!

To those who came up the hill to this fantastic Victory Celebration, we say Thank You. To those who missed it, keep the faith. God willing, we will do it again someday soon.



VALLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH held a hymn-sing and pot-luck supper on Saturday, July 30th. The Greater Springfield Korean Presbyterian Youth Singers (above) entertained the group; in photo below, Marge Lang, Sue Pearsons, and Lois McCarl. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



MARGIE SECORA helps out in the kitchen during a pot-luck supper at the Valley Community Church on July 30th. Advertiser photo by Jack Devine.



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Corn Fest '94 next weekend!

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Church News - continued...**Ag. Congregational's Calendar Of Events**

Our Summer Worship is at 9:30 a.m. this Sunday, August 7th, and will continue through September 4th.

Rev. Fuller's sermon this week will be "Who will love my children?"

The next softball game is Sunday, August 28th, at 4:00 p.m. Meet at the Little League Field at Phelps School. Bring your glove, bat, ball, and enjoy fun, friends, and food. All ages welcome!

Following the softball game, there will be a picnic back at the church. A modest \$1 fee will cover the cost of the picnic.

A meeting for our "On to Oakland" parents and students will follow the picnic.

Our church's 175th anniversary is September 9th, 10th, 11th, and 18th.

The celebration begins on Friday, September 9th, with a Music Festival and an Anniversary Dance.

On Saturday, September 10th, we will have a Parade and Carnival from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., and an Anniversary Dinner that night.

On Sunday, September 11th, there will be two Special Worship Services at 9:00 and 11:00 a.m., and a special coffee hour with an Anniversary Cake.

News And Notes From F.H. Congregational

The sermon title this week is "From Jesus to Christ." Join us if you can at 10:00 a.m.

There is still time to sign up for Vacation Bible School, which takes place at the church during the week of August 15th-19th.

Please call the church at 786-5061 for more information.

Meetings this week:

- The Trustees will meet on Monday, August 8th, at 7:30 p.m.

- The Stewardship and Missions Committee will meet with the Board of Deacons and the Trustees on Tuesday, August 9th, at 7:30 p.m. to plan an "every member canvass" for Stewardship Sunday.

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At Valley Community's Hymn-Sing

PARTICIPATING IN THE JULY 30TH Hymn-Sing & Pot Luck Supper at Valley Community Church in Feeding Hills were Marguerite Powers and Shirley Coulter. RELATED PHOTOS ON PREVIOUS PAGE. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam Congregational Provides More Historical Tidbits In 175th Year

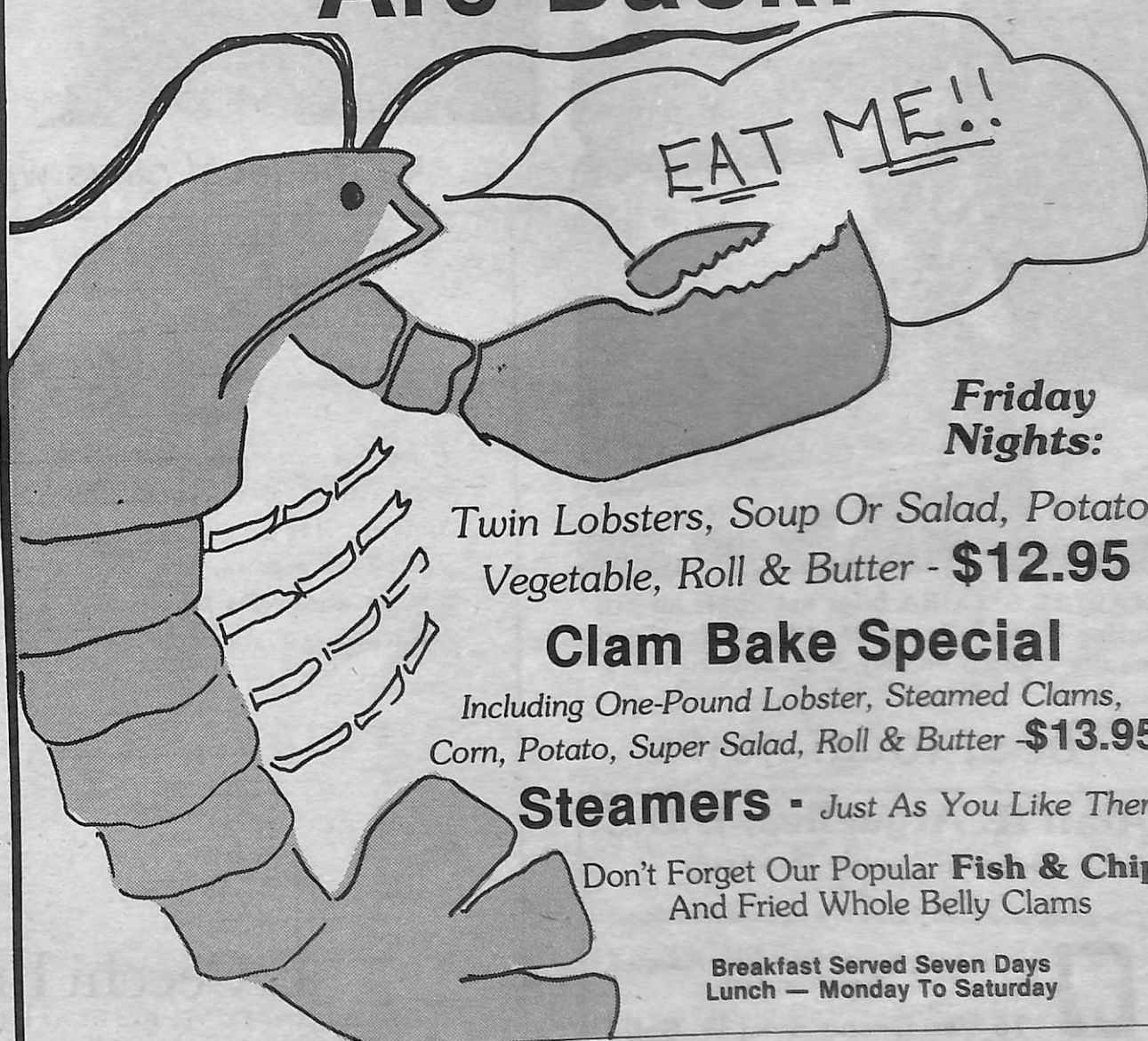
To highlight its upcoming 175th Anniversary on September 9th, 10th, 11th, and 18th, the Agawam Congregational Church continues with its weekly presentation of facts about its history within this community:

The choir has been an integral part of the spiritual and secular life of the church as early as 1852. The first noted celebration for the choir and organist/choir director was a 25th Anniversary

Banquet and special service held in 1943.

This celebration was brought together by the choir members under the direction of Harold Hudson, who was the choir director since 1918.

Following this celebration an annual tradition was formed, and each year the church gives an Annual Dinner held in April to the choir and organist/director in appreciation of their services.

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"In recent years we have recognized their expanded role in providing a much-needed service for young families, particularly single-parent families, in need of child care services. It is to help the 'Y' continue to provide these and other services that we are pleased to make a \$5,000 contribution to the local 'Y's' Leadership Campaign."

He continued, "These funds will assist single parents with young children by making after-school child care available, picking the youngsters up after school, bringing them to the 'Y' for a safe, supervised program in a nurturing and caring atmosphere. In a sense, the 'Y' becomes a 'home away from home.'"

"We are extremely pleased to be able to add our support to this essential community service," Carra concluded.

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GREATER WESTFIELD YMCA DIRECTOR Harry Rock looks on as Kevin Donovan, chairman of the Y's "Partners With Youth" Annual Giving Campaign, accepts a contribution from Westfield Savings Bank Senior Vice-President Victor J. Carra.

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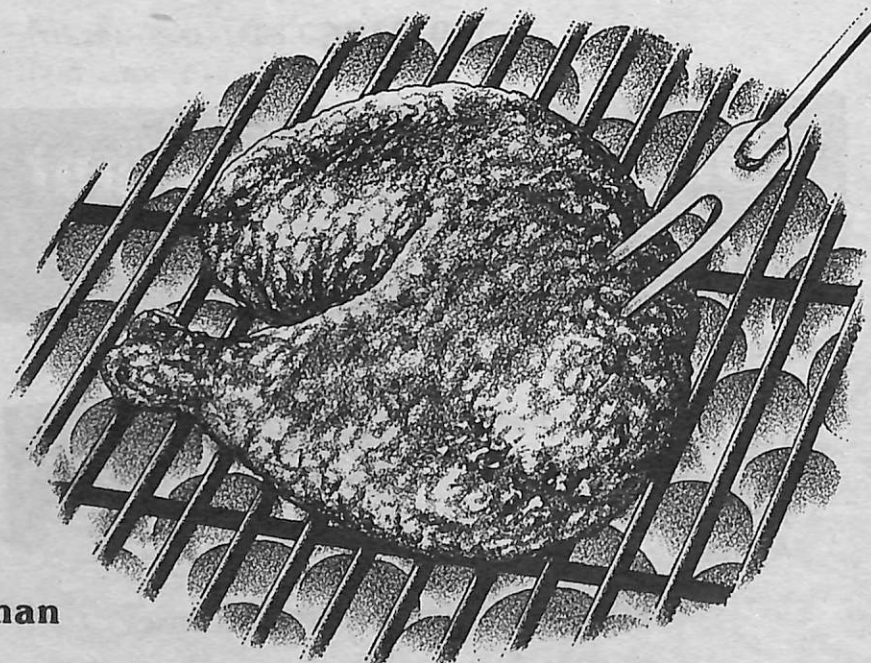
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Charitable Giving— Options That Offer Additional Tax Advantages

When most of us think about giving to charity, we think of writing out a check or perhaps donating clothing, furniture, or time to a charitable organization. While most of us know that gifts of money, clothing, and furniture to a tax-exempt charity are tax-deductible, few of us are aware of the advantages of more complicated ways to donate.

For those who can afford it, these other options may offer significant tax savings to donors, while at the same time giving charitable organizations access to much-needed funds. Here are a couple of possibilities:

Charitable lead trust—This type of trust pays out interest income to a charity for several years and then, when the specified term is over, the principal goes to the donor's heir. Obviously, the donor foregoes investment income from the donated asset, but the advantage is that the property or principal eventually gets transferred to the heirs with reduced or even eliminated estate or gift taxes.

A donor can place an asset such as a house or security, for example, in a charitable lead trust. After the donor's death, the asset is sold and the proceeds are reinvested to make annual payments to the charity. The longer the payments to the charity—15 years is a recommended minimum—the greater the tax advantage to the donor. Also, heirs don't have to pay taxes on appreciated

value of the asset; for estate tax purposes; they pay only on the value placed in the trust.

Once the trust is established, however, no one can get at the principal until the trust expires. Donors should use attorneys and accountants who are experienced in estate planning to ensure the trust is properly set. Further, substantial initial and maintenance costs are involved, so assets probably should be at least \$250,000 or it may not be worthwhile.

Charitable remainder trust—This is the exact opposite of a charitable lead trust. A remainder trust gives the asset to charity and then pays the donor an income for life. Donors can give investment property (stocks, real estate, inc.) to the charitable trust. They then may take a tax deduction for the gift based on an age-related IRS formula and also can receive investment income.

This trust works well for people who have acquired several properties that have appreciated significantly but might not have enough liquid assets to support themselves comfortably during retirement. The major disadvantage is that the gift is irrevocable. If for any reason the donor needs to cash in the asset, there's no way to get at it.

Anyone who is considering setting up a charitable remainder trust definitely should consult an attorney who specializes in this area; one wrong word can upset the tax deduction. Also, have an expert compare the income potential from the trust with the moneymaking potential from the property your children would have inherited if you hadn't made the gift.

For those who can afford it, the ability to give to charity combined with the potential tax savings is often the motivation for setting up either of these two trusts. A word of caution, though—be careful not to give away too much too soon. There are too many uncertainties in life ... don't get caught short.

Again, people considering something more complicated than simply giving money outright (such as either of these two trust options) would do well to consult an attorney, a professional tax advisor, or other expert specializing in estate planning.

To receive further information or if you would like to arrange a free 30-minute consultation, please contact me at my office, 534-3883.



AYRE REAL ESTATE is a new real estate office opening at 703 Main Street, Agawam Center (former Fleet Bank office). From left - R. Bridgett Stevens, Kathryn M. Ayre (President), and Cynthia Ayre Krolicki (Treasurer) are busy remodeling their office and getting their business ready to go. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Ayre Real Estate To Open In Agawam Ctr.

Ayre Real Estate, Agawam's newest real estate firm, will be opening soon in Agawam Center. R. Bridgett Stevens joins with Cynthia Ayre Krolicki, Treasurer, and Kathryn M. Ayre, President, in the opening of the first office of Ayre Real Estate.

The office will be located at 701 Main Street, at the corner of Main and School Streets.

Ayre Real Estate is bringing with it 29 years of combined real estate expertise. They are all top producers formerly of George & Green Real Estate.

The office is currently being remodeled and will be open shortly. Temporarily, they may be reached at their home offices: Bridgett, 788-0796; Cindy, 786-7183; and Kathy, 786-6150.

They are looking forward to working with you and servicing your real estate needs.

Lisa Baltronis Promoted To Relocation Dir. By Stearns & Yerrall Realtors

George R. Yerrall, IV, President of Stearns & Yerrall Realtors, Inc., is pleased to announce that Lisa Baltronis has been promoted to the position of Relocation Director for the Relocation Department of Stearns & Yerrall Realtors.

In her new position, Ms. Baltronis will be responsible for the management and sale of corporate owned homes for third party companies in-

cluding PHH Homequity; Stearns & Yerrall is the exclusive broker in the Greater Springfield area for PHH Homequity. Ms. Baltronis has been with the company for five years and previously served as Assistant Relocation Director.

Prior to joining Stearns & Yerrall, Ms. Baltronis worked for PHH Homequity in Danbury, Connecticut for five years.

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Understanding Terms Of Real Estate Helps

Purchasing a home can be a confusing and complicated process. Throughout the process, home buyers will encounter a variety of unfamiliar real estate terms. There are several key terms associated with purchasing real estate that are helpful to know.

For example, many buyers confuse the terms **broker**, **salesperson** (sales associate), **real estate agent**, and **REALTOR**.

A **REALTOR** is a licensed real estate agent or broker who is a member of the National, State, and local Association of REALTORS. A broker is a properly licensed individual who serves as a special agent in the purchase and sale of real estate. A salesperson is a properly licensed individual employed or associated by written agreement by the broker as an independent contractor.

Before you select a real estate salesperson, you should know the types of agency representation available to you.

Seller's Agent (Traditional Agent): When a seller engages the services of a listing broker, the seller becomes the broker's client. This means that the broker (and its subagents) represent the seller exclusively and have no agency relationship with the buyer. The listing broker and subagents must put the seller's interest first and negotiate for the best price and terms for the seller, not the buyer.

Buyer's Agent: When a buyer engages the services of a broker, the buyer becomes the broker's client. This means the broker and its agents represent the buyer. The broker and its agents must put the buyer's interest first and negotiate for the best price and terms for the buyer, not the seller.

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mortgage note.

Once the contract has been signed and a mortgage note obtained, the buyer and seller must legally close the transaction. The **closing** is a meeting where the buyer, the seller, and their attorneys review, sign, and exchange the final documents. At the closing, the buyer receives the appraisal report, an estimate of the property's value, with certification and supporting documents.

The buyer also receives the **title** and the **deed**. The title shows evidence of the buyer's ownership of the property while the deed legally transfers the title from the seller to the buyer. The final docu-

ment that the buyer receives at closing is a **title insurance policy**, insurance against the loss of title if it's found to be imperfect.

Buyers should plan on at least six to eight weeks for a typical real estate transaction to close. The process is difficult and, at times, intimidating. A good understanding of real estate terms, choosing the type of agency representation that fits your needs, and understanding the chronology of the transaction, however, will help you to be more confident when buying a home.

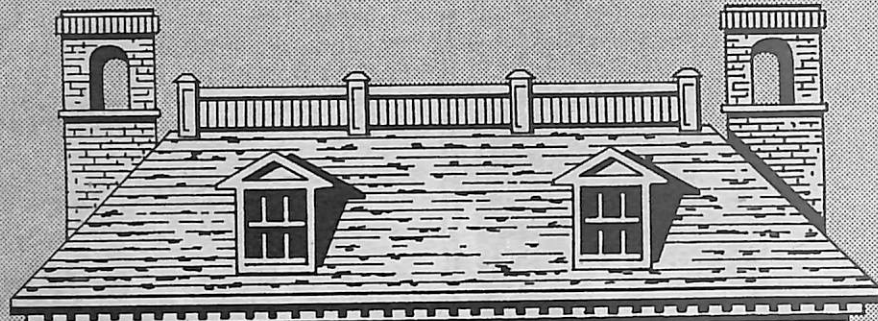
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*Spotlight On Business - continued...***Country Estates Elderly Facility Celebrates Opening**

On Thursday, August 4th (presstime), Country Estates of Agawam—a spacious, 164-bed skilled nursing and rehabilitation center located at 1200 Suffield Street—celebrated its official opening. Several hundred guests (including town officials, community leaders, and members of the health care community) attended a gala Open House catered by the staff of Country Estates.

Among the guest speakers at the Open House were State Auditor Joseph DeNucci, Senator Linda Melconian, Representative Michael Walsh, and Mayor Christopher Johnson.

On Sunday afternoon, August 7th, the staff of Country Estates will play host for a Community Open House. In addition to enjoying refreshments that will once again be prepared by the staff, community residents will have the opportunity to receive tours of the magnificent new facility.

For more information regarding the August 7th Community Open House, contact Nancy Drury at (413) 789-2200.

Situated on a spectacular 10-acre site on Suffield Street and in close proximity to Routes 57, 90 and 91, Country Estates will provide 24-hour skilled nursing care and a comprehensive range of supportive and rehabilitative services. With 66,000 square feet of space, the elegant and state-of-the-art facility offers a conducive and functional environment for all of its residents whether they require short-term, long-term rehabilitative, sub-acute, or respite care.

In addition to oversized private rooms and semi-private residents' rooms, Country Estates offers large and well-equipped therapy areas. In addition to its Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Gymnasium, the staff of Country Estates will be able to utilize a Transitional Apartment in order to retrain residents who will be returning to their homes.

According to Robert Platt, principal owner of the facility, "Every element of Country Estates—the design, the lighting, the amenities, the selec-

tion of color and furnishings, and most importantly, the programs—carry out our goal to create a warm environment which affords each resident the maximum level of independence and dignity."

Country Estates of Agawam offers the resident a long list of amenities, including: individual heat and air conditioning along with cable TV and telephone outlets in all resident rooms; patios and a large enclosed courtyard; a beauty salon/barber shop; a gift shop; spacious sitting and living rooms; and a recreational therapy program that will operate seven days a week and will include some evening programs.

Country Estates is licensed by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health and is Medicare and Medicaid certified. The facility began admitting residents on July 15th.

For further information about Country Estates, please call Gina Blackie, Director of Admissions, at (413) 789-2200.



ARLENE SWENOR has been named as "Maintenance Person of the Year" at Riverside Amusement Park by Maintenance Director T.C. Freeman. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Riverside Park Names Arlene Swenor Top Employee

T.C. Freeman, Jr., Director of Maintenance and Loss Prevention for Riverside Amusement Park in Agawam, has announced that Arlene Swenor has been named as Riverside's 1993 Maintenance Person of the Year.

According to Freeman, "Arlene is a person who is dedicated to doing a professional job no matter what the circumstances are. She has to deal with contractors through the bidding process and to follow up to see that they performed as to their contract, which is no easy task."

Freeman continued, "Arlene has to order all the paint for the Park, select colors for specific projects, and assign her painters to their jobs each day. She also has the responsibility of getting the Monthly Blanket Purchase Orders together each month."

"This personable individual does all these jobs with a smile and without a complaint. She is true team player who, when she has a free moment, will help make signs."

"As she does all of the aforementioned items, Arlene has to work with GOD to try and figure out when it's not going to rain. Congratulations, Arlene!" concluded Freeman.

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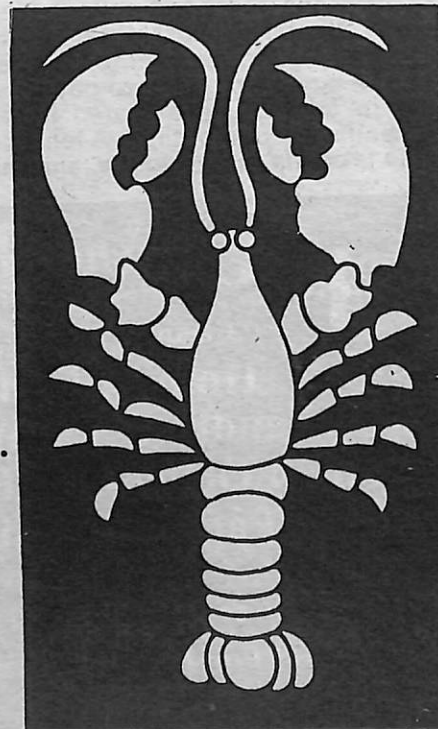
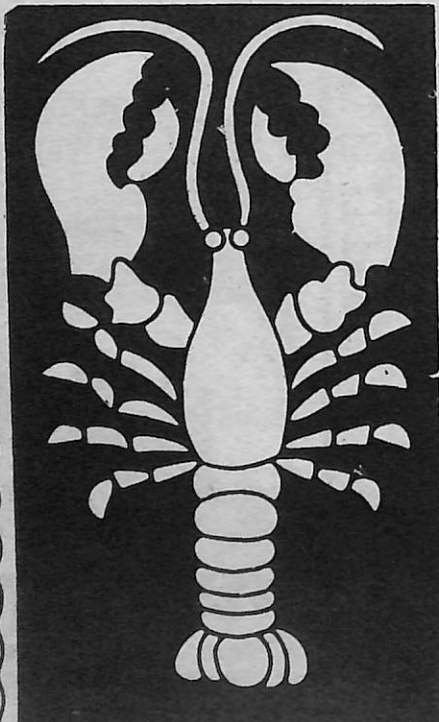
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Food for Thought

by Nancy Dell
Registered Dietician

Foods To Boost Your Energy

You are what you eat ... and you can't be full of energy if you're running on empty or on "junk" food. But, in this fast-paced world, fast foods, processed foods, and missing meals have become the norm.

If you diet is based on high-fat and high-sugar foods that lack vitamins and minerals, chances are you'll gain weight and have little energy.

No matter what your energy level, boost it by eating three to six light meals. Plan those meals around high-fiber carbohydrate foods like whole-grain rice and pasta, legumes, fruits, and vegetables. These foods take time for the body to break down and give you more staying power. Don't eliminate milk and meat products, but think of them as sides rather than the main dish.

Skipping meals is a common pitfall for low-energy people. Missing meals is like driving from here to Washington on an empty tank of gas. You won't get far unless you fuel up.

You don't need to sit down to a whole meal. Think of snacks as mini-meals that give you enough fuel to make it through the day. Snacks don't have to be chips and cookies. Try a half a sandwich, a cup of yogurt, and/or a piece of fruit along with your treat.

It's hard to change eating habits that you've had for years. So, work on changing just one habit at a time and set small goals. Here's some small energy-boosting goals to work on:

- * **Eat breakfast.**
- * **Eat lunch.**
- * **Find a high-fiber cereal you like.**
- * **Mix you're favorite cereal with a high-fiber one.**
- * **Substitute a morning donut with a whole-grain bagel.**
- * **Eat a balanced lunch that contains four food groups.**
- * **Try some whole-grain pastas and breads.**
- * **Make breakfast and lunch larger meals and shrink the size of your dinner.**
- * **Eat at least two fruits and/or vegetables with each meal.**

If you pick a goal and can't follow it 100% of the time, don't consider yourself a failure. Give yourself time to break old habits and learn new ones.

Food Safety Tips To Observe During Summertime Traveling

by The New England Dairy & Food Council

Whether you're planning a trip to the beach, a weekend camping trip, or a family picnic, you'll probably plan to take some foods with you. But is this food safe to eat?

You can keep meals safe from bacteria and spoiling no matter where your final destination by following these tips.

Food Safety Tips:

* Prevent food temperatures from reaching the danger zone of **40 degrees to 140 degrees** where bacteria multiply most rapidly. Keep cold foods **COLD** (below 40 degrees) and hot foods **HOT** (above 140 degrees)!

* When preparing food to take with you, first wash your hands, all countertops, and any utensils you plan to use. Wash all raw fruits and vegetables thoroughly.

* Use insulated bags, coolers with ice, or reusable freezer packs to keep foods cold longer. Make sure foods are very cold or frozen **before** you place them in the cooler.

* You can freeze individual containers of yogurt or juice boxes in advance. They will be thawed, but still cool several hours later.

* If possible, freeze sandwiches before adding to the ice chest. This works best with whole-grain bread, but fails with mayonnaise, lettuce, and tomatoes on sandwiches.

* Pack a cooler so foods you plan to eat first are located near the top. Store meats near the bottom. Allow space between items so cool air can circulate properly. Avoid putting beverages in the same cooler. Every time someone opens the cooler and reaches for a can, the temperature inside will rise.

* Place your lunch bag or cooler in the coolest location possible. In the winter, the trunk of your car is coolest, but in the summer it is the hottest! While driving in the heat, keep your cooler on the floor of the car and out of direct sunlight.

* At the beach, dig a large hole in the sand, place your cooler inside, and cover with a towel to shade from the sunlight.

* When eating your meal, **never leave food out of the cooler for more than two hours.** If there are any leftovers when you return home, throw them out unless there are still chunks of ice remaining in the cooler. When in doubt, throw it out!

Using Mouthguards Can Lead To Safer Summertime Sports

For amateur sports enthusiasts of all ages, summer means increased activity. But anyone who participates in recreational activities that could cause injury to the face or mouth should take a tip from the pros and use a mouthguard, advises the Massachusetts Dental Society.

"One of the most vulnerable and least protected parts of the body is the mouth area, including the teeth, lips, cheeks, and tongue," says Natick, Massachusetts dentist David Tesini, DMD, chair of the society's committee on sports-related oral/facial injuries. "Mouthguards offer protection from a direct injury, such as a baseball pitch or a 'bad hop' ground ball, or an indirect injury, such as a soccer fall or contact with another player."

Many experts recommend mouthguards for any recreational sport where mouth injury is possible, including baseball, basketball, volleyball, skateboarding, gymnastics, soccer, weightlifting, and racquetball. Each of these sports has the potential for serious harm to the head, face, or mouth as the result of head-to-head contact, falls, teeth clenching, or flying pieces of equipment.

Effective mouthguards combine several

features. They are resilient and light for easy breathing and speaking, and they are properly fitted, durable, and easy to clean.

Two types of mouthguards are available:

* **Stock "boil-and-bite" mouthguards** are found at most sporting goods stores. They typically are bulky, but they can be molded to some extent to fit the wearer's teeth.

* **Custom-made mouthguards**, the most satisfactory type, are designed and made by a dentist over a cast of the wearer's teeth. These are easily retained in the mouth, they do not interfere with speaking or breathing, and they offer exceptional fit and comfort.

Your dentist can help you choose the mouthguard that's best for you. No matter which type you choose, a mouthguard is a relatively inexpensive piece of equipment when compared to other sports gear. And it can prevent serious or permanent injury to your face and mouth.

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Special Hotline Can Give Diabetics Immediate & Accurate Responses

Massachusetts residents now have a place to turn for quick, accurate, and up-to-date answers and referrals to their questions about diabetes—the American Diabetes Association's Information & Action Line (D.I.A.L.).

According to the association, D.I.A.L. is designed to handle a full range of calls, from individuals recently diagnosed with diabetes to people who have had the disease for years. D.I.A.L. links callers with trained individuals who verbally offer information, determine written information to send, and make referrals to diabetes medical professionals.

"We are prepared to answer questions such as: are artificial sweeteners safe; what kinds of skin problems are common for people with diabetes; do you have any literature to help me learn about my child's diabetes; will my child be able to participate in sports; what are the symptoms of Type II diabetes; and many others," said Cathy Carver, Vice President of Programs of the American Diabetes Association.

In addition, the association will offer information on patient education programs, support

groups, family programs, youth camps and services, public awareness programs, and professional education programs through D.I.A.L.

Carver said, "D.I.A.L. does just what it stands for—it gives people the **diabetes information** they need so that they can take **action.**"

Massachusetts residents can reach D.I.A.L. by calling 1-800-DIABETES.

Fourteen-million people are affected by diabetes. Half that number do not know they have this serious disease—the fourth-leading cause of death by disease in America. They will learn they have diabetes when treated for one of its complications—blindness, heart and kidney disease, stroke, and amputation. More than 750,000 people will be diagnosed with diabetes this year; 150,000 will die.

The American Diabetes Association is the nation's leading non-profit health organization supporting diabetes research, advocacy, and public education and patient programs. The association has an affiliate in every state and provides services in more than 800 communities nationwide.

Bicycle Safety Clinic Being Planned By Noble Hospital For August 18th

In 1992, more than 700 bicyclists were killed. Almost half of all bike-related deaths involve children 14 and under.

An estimated 580,119 bicyclists of all ages were treated in emergency rooms for bike-related injuries in 1990.

More children are killed and injured each year on bikes than on skateboards, roller skates, big wheels, and scooters combined, according to the National Safety Council.

The Emergency Department at Noble Hospital, with participation from area bicycle shops, The Columbia Manufacturing Company, Friendly Ice Cream Store, and the Westfield Police Department, is sponsoring a free bicycle safety clinic for

school-aged children on Thursday, August 18th, from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m.

The event, which will take place in the visitor's parking lot at Noble Hospital, will feature helmet fitting demonstrations; bicycle safety checkup clinics; and instructions on hand signals and rules of the road. In addition, a bicycle skills test will be available for children who bring their bicycles.

All children who participate in the clinic will be eligible for a raffle drawing of a bicycle, a helmet, and other items. Water bottles will be given to the first 100 participants.

Refreshments will be served. For more information, call Noble's HealthBEAT at 568-BEAT (2328).

La Leche League Can Offer Support To New Moms; Next Meeting August 15th

If you have considered breastfeeding your baby but have questions about this womanly art, contact the West Springfield-Agawam La Leche League.

This month's meeting will be held on Monday, August 15th, at 7:30 p.m. at the Grace Lutheran

Church, West Springfield. The discussion for the evening will include encouragement and information on how to establish a happy nursing relationship.

For further information, call Chris at 737-9700.

Various Classes Being Offered During August By Baystate Medical

Baystate Medical Center will be sponsoring the following classes throughout the month of August:

* **Babysitter Academy:** Two-session course, August 6th and 13th, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the Wesson Memorial Education Center, Level B, for ages 12-14, \$25. Pre-registration required by calling Parent Education at 784-BABY (2229).

* **Maternity Exercise Class:** Monday and Wednesday evenings, August 8th through 31st, from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Executive Offices Meeting Room, for pregnant women and those who recently delivered, \$30. Pre-registration required by calling Parent Education at 784-BABY (2229).

* **Diabetes Teaching Class:** August 15th through 18th, from 1:00 to 3:30 p.m. in Auditorium 1 on the third floor of the Centennial Building. Physician's prescription required; for patients and family members, \$262.50. Pre-registration required by calling 784-2222, or for more information, call 784-4364.

Noble Hospital To Host Stroke Support Groups

Noble Hospital will host support groups for stroke patients and their families. Karen Fagan, LICSW, clinical social worker at the Bronson Rehabilitation Center at Noble Hospital, will lead the groups (which usually meet twice each month).


The next meeting for stroke patients will take place on Wednesday, August 17th, at 5:30 p.m., and meetings for families of stroke patients will take place on Wednesday, August 10th and 24th, at 5:30 p.m.

Both groups will meet in the Bronson Dining Room, where refreshments will be served. For more information or to register for either of the free support groups, call Karen Fagan at 572-5151.

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Music To Your "Eyes"

There have been some films made about the lives of various musicians that have appeared on the silver screen. Some are more enjoyable than others.

* *Great Balls Of Fire*

Director: Jim McBride. 1989. Rated R. 1 hour and 50 minutes. Starring: Dennis Quaid, Winona Ryder, Alec Baldwin, and Trey Wilson.

The legendary Jerry Lee Lewis is immortalized in this factual, biographical film about the man's rise to stardom.

Dennis Quaid stars as the music legend and delivers a convincing portrayal. Winona Ryder portrays his female sidekick (of sorts) equally well.

The good thing about this film is that even if you are not a big fan of Jerry Lee Lewis, you will still enjoy this film.

The musical numbers are also quite entertaining, and it is during these scenes that Mr. Quaid performed his best.

If nothing else, the film will at least prove to not have been a waste of money—so rest assured, folks, you won't be burned by these great balls of fire! **3½ STARS.** (17 years and up.)

* *La Bamba*

Director: Luis Valdez. 1987. Rated PG-13. 1 hour and 48 minutes. Starring: Lou Diamond Phillips, Rosana DeSoto, Esai Morales, Danielle Von Zerneck, and Elizabeth Pena.

The story of Richie Valens is told impeccably by the film *La Bamba*. We follow the youth through all of his trials and tribulations on the road to success.

The band Los Lobos provides the soundtrack, including the title hit. Unfortunately, Richie Valens's life went through a period of serenity; as good as this may have been for him, it doesn't help a biography about him. Slow-moving scenes

take away from what had the potential of being a 4 STAR film.

The biggest impact from *La Bamba* is the strong characterizations of the people who helped Valens make it to the top. Many films of this genre downplay key characters by glorifying the main character.

Of course, the tragic demise of Valens is also included, providing a very melancholy conclusion to the film.

I hesitate to say this will absolutely entertain everyone, but it certainly will not bore you either. **3 STARS.** (17 years and up.)

* *The Doors*

Director: Oliver Stone. 1991. Rated R. 2 hours and 15 minutes. Starring: Val Kilmer, Meg Ryan, Frank Whalley, Kevin Dillon, Kyle MacLachlan, Billy Idol, Dennis Burkley, Josh Evans, and Kathleen Quinlan.

The infamous band *The Doors* is resurrected for two hours in this shocking and oftentimes revolting documentary of the band and its lead singer, Jim Morrison. It has all you'd expect—drugs, violence, sex, profanity, and repulsion.

Val Kilmer plays Morrison, and Meg Ryan portrays his love interest. Although the film was very hyped-up because of the reputation of its director, Oliver Stone, it is not of interest to the masses (which is why it didn't thrive at the box office). As a straight-to-video release, it would have been fine because then the band's select fans could rent it.

Scenes involving Morrison urinating on his fans and even worse acts on-stage (including getting arrested) suggest why the band's music is so depressing.

This is not the kind of entertainment that the public needs right now. Glorifying a sick and strung-out junkie only proves that Hollywood's sickness of corruption is alive and thriving.

The acting is commendable but wasted. Wake up, Hollywood—there are plenty of other hard-working entertainers who've led wholesome lives that can inspire us to make movies about.

The general public, including myself, doesn't care what drugs Jim Morrison did 25 years ago. Inspire us, don't nauseate us. The band is long since dead, and after viewing this film, it's for a good reason.

The bottom line, *The Doors* is one door that should've stayed shut! **1½ STARS.** (18 years and up.)

(EDITOR'S NOTE: If you have any suggestions for movie-related themes that you'd like to see discussed in this column, send them to Lou in care of *The Agawam Advertiser News*, P.O. Box 263, Feeding Hills, MA 01030.)

Hidden Treasure Day Slated By Ramapogue Historical Society

The Ramapogue Historical Society will again sponsor a Hidden Treasure Day on Wednesday, August 10th, and the Day House on Park Street, West Springfield. The hours will be from 4:00 to 9:00 p.m.; this should be a fun evening as well as an educational one.

You will have a chance to get a verbal appraisal on any treasure you've been wondering about. There will be a \$3 charge on the first item appraised, and a \$2 charge on each additional one. It is nice to get the background on any antiques you have.

If the item in question is large, such as furniture, bring a picture or a drawing so that the wood and finish can be judged.

Douglas Bilodeau, owner of Douglas Galleries in South Deerfield, is donating his services and those of his staff to benefit the Josiah Day House.

There is a two-fold reason for marking this date on your calendar—you can both benefit yourself and the Josiah Day House Maintenance Fund by securing a verbal appraisal.

The Day House is the oldest brick saltbox house in the country and is a registered historical site. See it and the members of the Ramapogue Historical Society ... they'd love to have you visit.

The Day House is open to the public on Saturdays and Sundays from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m., and there is a small charge for admission.

Theater Project To Participate In West Springfield Artists' Fair

The Theater Project, West Springfield's newest non-profit theater company, will have a booth present at the Artists' Fair on the West Springfield Town Common on August 6th and 7th.

According to group member Chris Thompson, the Theater Project will be present at the fair so that community members can meet the group's founders and members while helping to plan renovations for the former Majestic Theater on Elm Street.

"We will have a book of memories at our table so that people can drop by and write down their favorite memories of the theater," Thompson said.

The group's 1994-1995 season will also be introduced with subscriptions/membership forms at the booth. The Theater Project will present Harper Lee's classic *To Kill A Mockingbird* in November.

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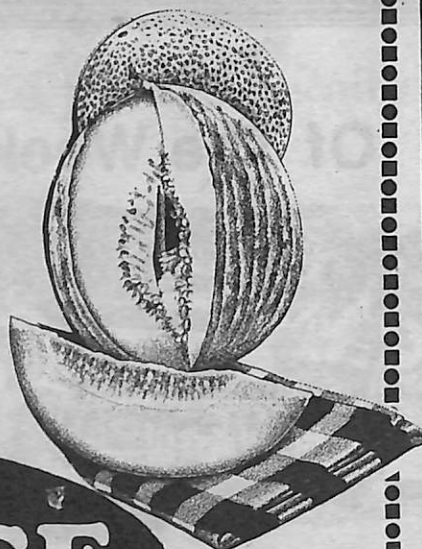
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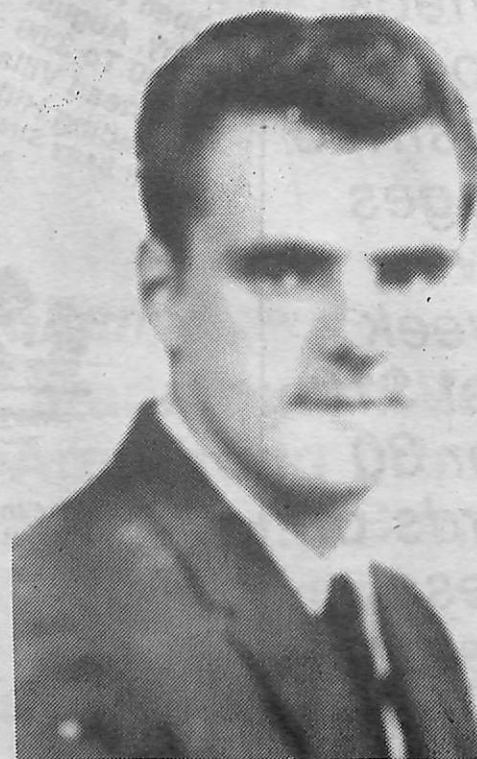
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Local Children Set For Production Of "Aladdin"

Everyone knows the wonderful story of "Aladdin," whether it be from seeing the popular Disney movie or reading one of the many storybook adaptations based on the tale from "The Arabian Nights."

STAGE's latest presentation picks up from where this magical classic leaves off. Aladdin and his princess wife have married and a young son is born. However, the royal child, Nid-dala, must be exchanged for a poor fishergirl to prevent the vengeful magician Mabrubrek from doing him harm.

When Aladdin disappears after the magic lamp is stolen for a second time, we follow the young people growing up, their unexpected meeting, and learn from the Queen Mother of Aladdin's request for his son. He must search out the lamp and put an end to the magician's evil intentions.

The two adventurers journey together from Canton China, to the deserts of Arabia, to the Cavern of Treasures in Africa. Along the way, they meet with pirates, shipwreck, and finally the evil magician himself and his legion of undead warriors.

This original story created by STAGE co-producer Lyle Pearsons of Suffield was first done four years ago in Suffield. Re-written and added to for this year's large cast of 41, "The Quest For Aladdin's Lamp" has all the thrills, excitement, special effects, and intriguing costumes that STAGE performances have become so well known for.

"The Quest For Aladdin's Lamp" is the third in a series of four Summer Children's Theatre productions presented at The Red Door Theatre. The culmination of a two-week drama camp for young people ages seven through 15, the plays often enjoy a sell-out run at the intimate, air-conditioned theatre located high on the hill next to the Valley Community Church.

The 120-seat house has been the home for STAGE for the past three years, though STAGE has been presenting young people's live theatre since 1987, producing over 35 children's plays.

The general public may reserve tickets for "The Quest For Aladdin's Lamp" by calling The Red Door Ticket Service at (413) 789-2026. All tickets are only \$4 and all seats are reserved for the performances Friday, August 5th at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, August 6th at 2:00 and 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, August 7th at 2:00 p.m.

Please remember that Jack Devine needs at least 48 hours to cover your event. Call Jack at 789-0053. Thanks.



THEATRE CAMP STUDENTS Amy Wagar, Phil Wood, Leanne Crowley, Katie Rabbett, and Tyler Pearsons (of Suffield) and Kassia Randzio of Southwick try out some costumes and props for STAGE'S production of "The Quest for Aladdin's Lamp." The play is scheduled to run at The Red Door Theatre in Feeding Hills, Call 413-789-2026 for ticket information.



PRESENTING THEIR ROYAL GIFTS to Moira Heap of Southwick in STAGE'S third summer theatre production of "The Quest For Aladdin's Lamp" are Kristin Alaimo, Justin Wingood, Michael Rubba, Jaime Pearsons, and Neal Donahue, all of Suffield.

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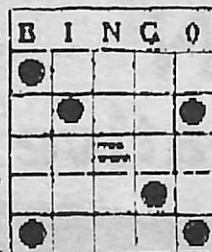


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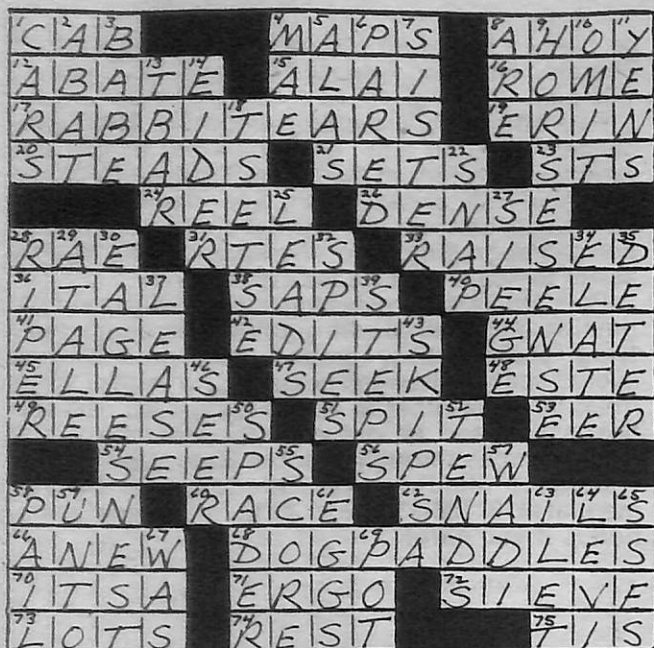
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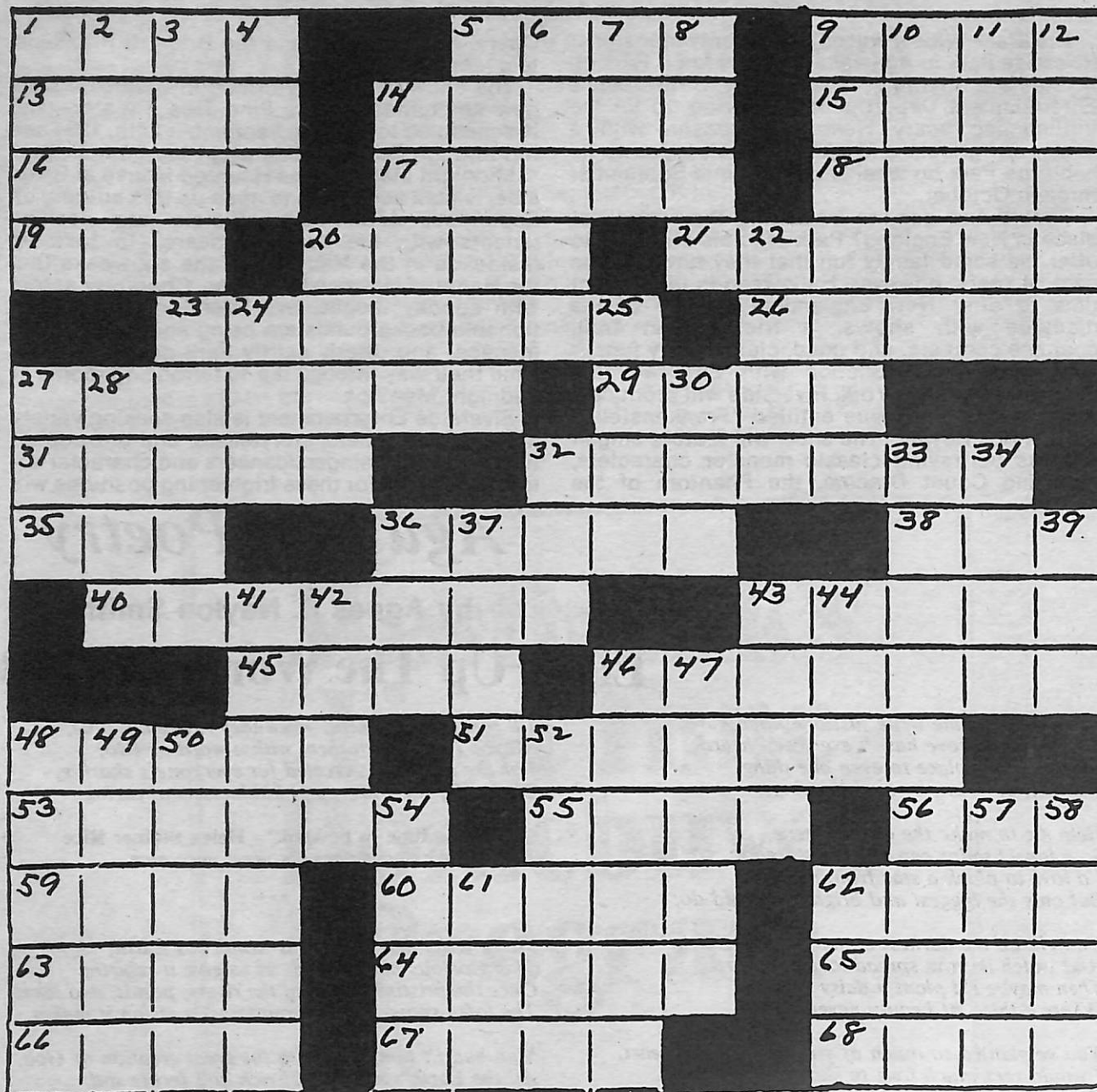
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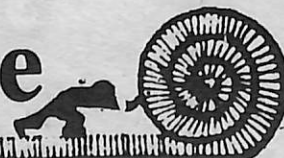
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If You Dare To Scare, Riverside Park Has A Job For You!

The Black Widow will not be the only monster at Riverside Park in Agawam, MA, this fall if Park officials have anything to say about it. Riverside's Entertainment Department is gearing up for the forthcoming scary Halloween season with a search for ghouls and goblins of all types to inhabit the Park on weekends from mid-September through October.

Ghouls and goblins inhabiting the friendliest place in New England? Park officials still plan to offer the same family fun that they have for the past 54 years; however, Halloween is the perfect time to offer New Englanders a slice of the macabre with shows, a trick-or-treat trail, costume contests, and good, clean, scary fun.

Working in conjunction with Entertainment Enterprises of New York, Riverside will produce a haunting musical revue entitled "Frankenstein's Rock & Roll Revue." The show will feature singer/dancers portraying classic monster characters, including Count Dracula, the Phantom of the

Opera, Frankenstein, and the Bride of Frankenstein (among others).

The show will be performed in Riverside's all-new amphitheater—the Pine Tree Theater—and is scheduled to open on September 24th, 1994 and run through October 30th, when the Park closes.

Midnight Mansion, the Haunted House at Riverside, is also scheduled to open up this autumn on September 17th. Park officials are seeking tenants with the "urge to scare" to take up residence in the Mansion for the six weeks that the Haunted House will be open. Character actors with spooky laughs, evil intentions, and questionable backgrounds are being sought to scare, menace, and utterly petrify Park guests as they wind their way through the 10 terrorizing rooms of Midnight Mansion.

Riverside Entertainment is also seeking variety acts, fortune tellers, storytellers, and makeup artists as well as singers/dancers and character actors. Auditions for these frightening positions will

be held in the Main Ballroom of the Springfield Sheraton Hotel on August 13th from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Park officials will audition singers at 10:00 a.m., dancers at 11:30 a.m., and character actors and variety performers at 1:30 p.m. Singers should bring their own sheet music and remain for the dance call; dancers will learn a combination from our choreographer; and character actors will be asked to "cold read" a variety of styles.

Park officials are planning a frightfully good old time, so be prepared with your best screams, terrifying personalities, groans and moans, and overall scary Halloween behavior. All fearful souls must be 16 or older to apply; bring resumes and headshots, and be prepared for rehearsals and performances through October 30th, 1994.

Contact the Riverside Entertainment Department at (413) 786-9300, ext. 3322, for more information ... if you dare!

Agawam Poetry

by Agnes R. Neylon Smith

Light Up The World With Beauty

*Dear Lord, let me write just one kind word,
Where talk of love hasn't ever been heard;
Let me bring solace to even one thing,
To man, or beast, or bird on wing;*

*Help me to make the ocean serene,
So a lonely sailor can reach his dream;
I'd love to pluck a star from the blue,
But only the biggest and brightest would do;*

*I'd light up the darkest corners of the Earth,
And watch its rays spread love and mirth;
Then maybe I'd plant a daisy or rose,
Where a thing of beauty never grows;*

*You've planted so much of your love in my heart,
I would very much love to share a large part;
Please give me the words, and show me the way,
And help me to inspire people, to hear what I say;*

*I'll try to uplift them, when they're feeling blue,
Maybe I can reach them with a word or two;
For the Earth was created for everyone's sharing,
Their life, their love, and kindness, and caring.*

*"Take the time to be kind" - Helen Steiner Rice
I also think her message is very, very nice.*

*Many years ago I trod this wondrous Earth,
This glorious planet needs us to give it rebirth;
Once the pristine waters of the rivers, ponds, and lakes,
The lofty snow-capped mountains, a vision it makes;*

*Man hadn't tampered with the great creation of God,
All the Earth's soil was of rich and fertile sod;
The grand and stately redwoods stood straight and tall,
They ever housed the owls, their fledglings and all;*

*The myriad resplendent wild flowers mottled verdant hills,
This was before mankind created the Earth's many ills;
A glorious panorama could be seen everywhere,
Because the hand of God took very special care;*

*God honestly thought when He bestowed us His treasure,
We would do the same as He, and go to great measure;
And keep the verdant grassy leas like a velvet floor,
And keep His oceans, lakes, and rivers, pristine as before;*

*We all have much to do, to renew our Earth,
It will take all of us, to bring back its illustrious worth;
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As we all work together, 'til the Earth we renew.*

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Still Time To Sign-Up For Summer Camp At Storrowton Village

History is more than just names and dates. Give your kids a chance to experience 19th century American history without hitting the books at Storrowton Village Museum's Early American Summer Day Camp, located on the grounds of Eastern States Exposition in West Springfield.

Early American Summer Day Camp is open to children ages seven through 12 and will run from August 8th to August 12th (second session), from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Spaces are still available.

This unique experience will take place at Storrowton Village Museum, an authentically reconstructed 19th century New England village. Under the guidance of experienced Village staff members, campers will have the opportunity to take on unusual and creative challenges such as paper making, creating a scarecrow, milking a cow, making cheese, and churning butter. These are only a few of the activities kids will participate in as they are transported back in time.

Each day of camp will have its own exciting theme and every day will be a new experience for Early American campers.

Monday: "Leave Today Day" - Campers will assume the roles of 19th century Americans by donning the authentic style of dress of their forebearers. Children will meet new friends while trying on the excitement of a different era.

Tuesday: "Dairy Day" - On this day, kids will pay a visit to the Gilbert Farmstead, the first building ever to be reconstructed at Storrowton Village. Campers will learn about some of the fundamental principals of dairy farming with hands-on activities like cow-milking and butter churning.

Wednesday: "Handmade Day" - Campers will learn creative new skills that were a necessity to Early Americans. These unique experiments in 19th century crafting include candledipping, harvesting herbs for homemade herb muffins and making apple cider with a cider press. Children will also spend time exploring villagers' homes and workshops.

Thursday: "Wool Day" - Campers will participate in traditional wool production when they witness sheep shearing and participate in wool carding and spinning as they learn the steps that take fleece from sheep to finished cloth.

Friday: "Show-Off Day" - The grand finale of this historical week. Campers will show off their new-found knowledge of times past by giving their visiting families a personalized tour of Storrowton Village and demonstrating the creative and practical skills they have learned. Children will also put on an Early American performance for visitors on the camp stage that culminates their 19th century experience.

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St. Martha Players To Hold Auditions For Production Of *Annie*

St. Martha Players, Inc. of Enfield will be holding auditions for the fall production of the musical "*Annie*" on August 7th and 8th.

Auditions held Sunday, August 7th at 1:00 p.m. will be for children only. Children should appear to be between the ages of six and 13 and should audition with a song from the show, if possible.

Adult auditions will be held Monday, August 8th at 7:00 p.m. and their musical selection need not be from the show. Please be at the Robert Goulet Hall in St. Martha's Church, 214 Brainard Road, Enfield as close to the scheduled times as possible.

An accompanist will be provided both dates. If you have any questions, please call 203-745-2286 or 413-786-3320.

Friends Of Suffield Planning Annual "On The Green"

Suffield: The Friends of Suffield are planning this year's Suffield On The Green, which will be run in conjunction with the Annual Craftsair.

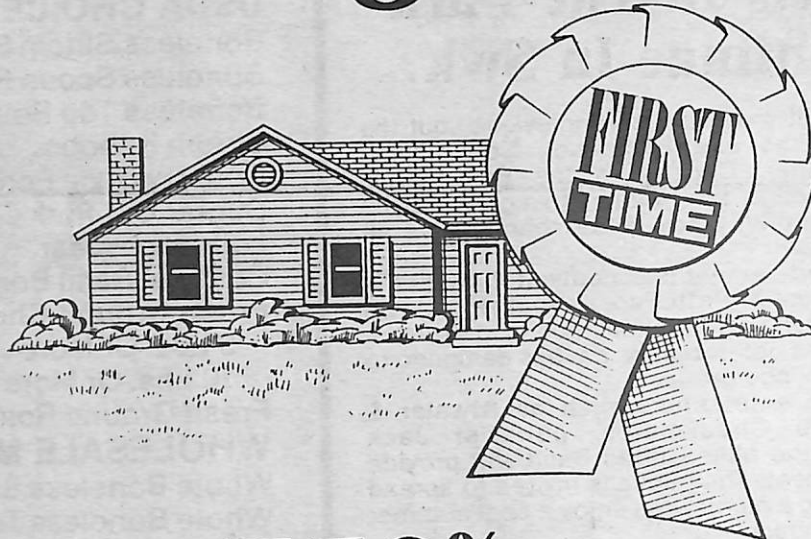
This community event will be on Saturday, September 10th from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Sunday, September 11th, from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. This year's event will include entertainment for all ages, plenty of food, games, and even a miniature golf course!

Of course, the third Apple Pie Contest will be held as well. Details will come at a later date.

If you would like to participate in this year's Suffield On The Green, either with a booth or as entertainment, please call Beth Giller at 668-7417 or Michelle Bulat at 668-2122.

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Storowton Village Seeks Volunteers For THE BIG E

Storowton Village Museum is offering a unique opportunity to prospective volunteers who are interested in learning about our rich New England heritage and meeting new people from all over the region.

Adult and teenage staffers are being sought to conduct guided tours of the Village's historic buildings during this year's 73rd edition of "New England's Great State Fair," the first-ever 17-day Big E which runs Sept. 16th-Oct. 2nd.

In addition to guided tours, volunteers are needed to work in the Village Gift Shop during The Big E. All volunteers will receive free Big E admission and parking during work days as well as a 25 percent discount on items purchased at the Storowton Village Gift Shop. Volunteers may also have the opportunity to attend the staff getaway and picnic as well as the annual Big E staff party. A recognition luncheon is held for those who have donated more than 75 hours of service.

Village volunteers will serve as interpreters of a bygone era, dressing in Early American, period costumes and assuming the roles of 19th century New Englanders. Volunteers will acquire a wealth of knowledge about 19th century crafts, manners, and daily life. They will become a part of the Storowton tradition of education and experience the excitement of bringing thousands of 20th century New Englanders together through local history.

Three training sessions for prospective volunteers will take place on August 25th, September 1st, and September 8th. Any additional information may be obtained by contacting Dennis Picard, Storowton Village Museum program coordinator, at (413) 787-0136 weekdays between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Storowton Village Museum is located on the grounds of Eastern States Exposition in West Springfield.

Concerts-In-The-Park To Continue In Swk.

Southwick: It may not be Tanglewood, but the Southwick Parks and Recreation Commission hopes that their Concert in the Park series scheduled through the month of August will be equally as popular, since these concerts are all free of charge.

Family entertainment is scheduled through the month of August at Prifti Park in Southwick, with five concerts ranging from folk music, instrumentals, oldies, and cotemporary. Each is designed to entertain every age group.

Well known entertainers such as Atwater & Donnelly, the Checkmates, guitarist Jack Yourous, and the Mike Curran Band will provide the entertainment. The public is invited to spread a blanket, bring a picnic, and enjoy a cool summer evening in the park.

Commission member Mike Krawiec is enthusiastic about the upcoming series. "Southwick Parks and Recreation Commission wanted to provide family entertainment for the citizens of Southwick and we feel the Concert in the Park series is the perfect atmosphere for families to get together on a summer evening. Outdoor concerts are so popular throughout the region that we decided to provide Southwick with outdoor concerts on its own doorstep."

The concerts are scheduled for August 7th, 14th, 20th, and 28th, with a final concert date not yet determined. All concerts begin at 6:30 p.m. and are free of charge.

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Pvt. Wars, by James McClure, is a funny, touching story of three veterans in a V.A. hospital trying to relate to civilian life and each other. Starring in the roles of the three veterans are Lenny Lynch, John McKemmie, and Rock Palmer.

A Marriage Proposal is a Russian farce about a

nervous, excitable man who begins to propose to an attractive young woman and a quarrel ensues. Sal Marzano plays the proud Russian father who wants his daughter married to anyone. Laura Lezon-Scantlen is the lovely daughter who wants marriage but sticks her foot in her mouth and drives off her one and only suitor with a battle over land boundaries. Bob Tongue plays the extremely nervous but focused suitor.

This evening of live theatre will begin at 8:00 p.m. (Incidentally, both of the one-act plays were recently performed at the Community Theatre Association Drama Festival.)

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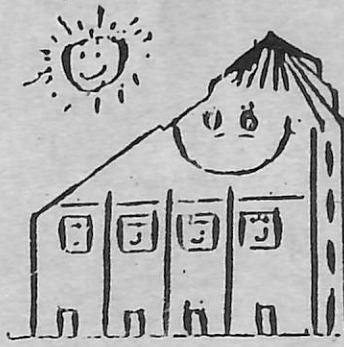


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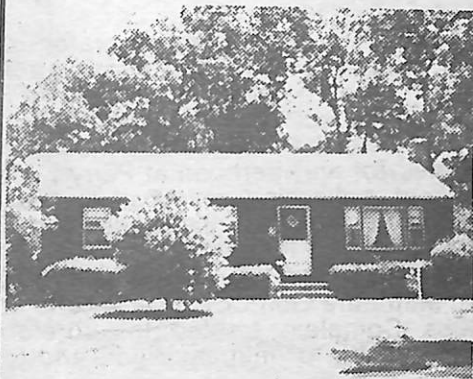
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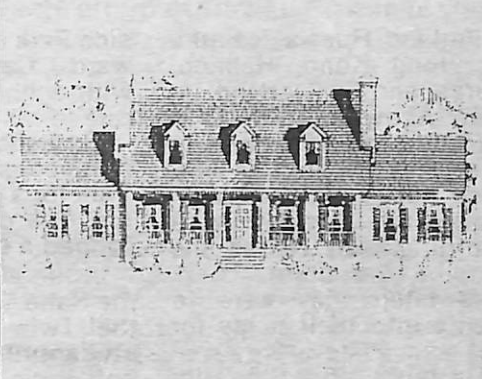
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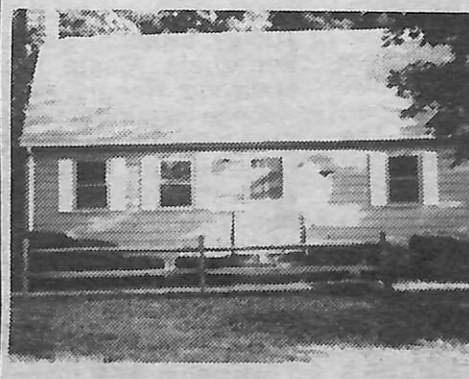
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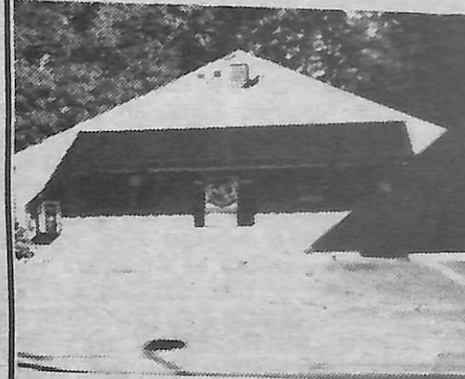
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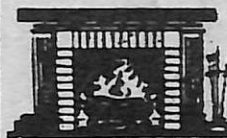
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Education

Agawam Hosts Its Seventh AFS-USA "Bus Stop" In July

For the seventh straight July, the Agawam Chapter of American Intercultural Programs-USA (AFS) housed and entertained a large group of foreign exchange students from July 7th to the early morning hours of July 13th.

Agawam has become one of AFS-USA's designated "Bus Stop" communities each July. Agawam has one of the most active AFS chapters in all of New England and is able each July to find host families to house this invasion of foreign exchange students for five nights and six days.

The majority of the students had spent the 1993-94 school year living with an American family in the Buffalo, New York area. Most of the students arrived in August 1993 and had enjoyed nearly a full year of experiencing life with an American family while attending high school in their respective communities in upper New York State.

Most Memorable Year

As part of the AFS experience, students who participate in the AFS full year program are grouped together on "Bus Stops" each July to conclude one of the most memorable years of these students' lives. AFS believes that instead of host families simply taking their AFS student to the airport for the return trip home, it is better to allow these students the opportunity to band together for a week's time in a far-away AFS community to reflect on their year in the USA.

This is an emotional time for the foreign exchange students because they have left their American families after an entire year of participating in American family and cultural life. The "Bus Stop" also allows the foreign students to experience another part of the USA they might not have seen since arriving last August.

Agawam AFS hosted five foreign exchange students as seniors at Agawam High School in 1993-94. These five students, Yvonne Hodel (Switzerland), Martin Asp (Sweden), Celeste Arraztoa (Chile), Ali Rusava (Czech Republic), and Joana Monteiro-Grillo (Portugal) were placed on a bus and traveled to an AFS chapter in the Baltimore, Maryland area with other AFS students from Western Mass., Northern Connecticut, and some areas of Maine.

The AFS "Bus Stop" students and their adult chaperone arrived in Agawam late Thursday afternoon, July 14th, hot and tired on a 94 degree day after a nine hour bus ride from upper New York State. The students represented countries that included Italy, Belgium, Spain, Mexico, Denmark, Japan, Norway, Thailand, Brazil, Germany,



A GROUP OF 45 foreign exchange students are greeted by Riverside Amusement Park owner and operator Edward J. Carroll, Jr., before the group enjoyed a day at the park. Standing from left - David Carpenter and Dan Lacienski, Agawam AFS board members; Edward J. Carroll, Jr., park owner; and Beth Lacienski, park employee. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Turkey, Sweden, France, Finland, Russia, Iceland, Venezuela, Costa Rica, Hong Kong, Holland, Malaysia, Hungary, Honduras, and Switzerland.

Once again serving as Agawam AFS "Bus Stop" Chairman was Dan Lacienski of Feeding Hills. He and his wife, Lee, have hosted an AFS student three times since 1989. The Lacienski family had said a sad farewell to Celeste Arraztoa of Chile on Thursday morning, July 7th as she departed for her "Bus Stop" to Baltimore.

And just a few hours later, they were to welcome four AFS students into their home for the six-day "Bus Stop."

Agawam AFS planned a busy "Bus Stop" for the 45 AFS students and their chaperone, Barbara McFarland, an AFS volunteer and school teacher. And despite the heat and humidity, the six days flew by.

Guided Tour Of Boston

On Friday, July 8th, Dan Lacienski gave a guided tour of Boston to the "Bus Stop" students; on Saturday, the group was treated to a day at River-

side Park courtesy of park owner and operator Edward J. Carroll, Jr. Agawam AFS presented Carroll with a honorary "Lifetime Membership" to AFS due to his gracious hospitality each year.

On Sunday, July 9th, the students and their host families gathered for an afternoon at Perry Lane Park for a cookout, swimming, volleyball, and tennis. The day concluded when the students performed a talent show for their host families.

In the evening, the Polverari family, owners of the Sand Trap Miniature Golf Course and Par 3 at the Twin Silos Complex, treated the foreign students to an evening of miniature golf and to soft serve cones.

On Monday, July 10th, the students and some members of their host families traveled to Hampton Beach, New Hampshire. For some students on the "Bus Stop," this was the first time they had seen a beach since arriving in the USA.

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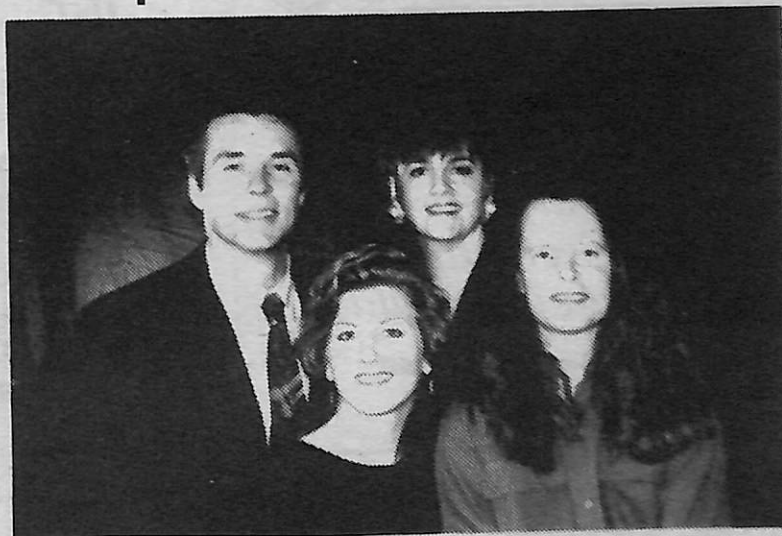
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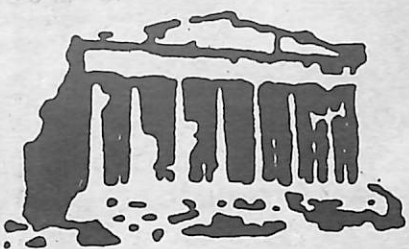
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Riverside Park Owner Given Lifetime Award



RECENTLY, a large group of foreign exchange students on the American Intercultural Programs (AFS) spent five nights and six days in Agawam, hosted by the Agawam Chapter of AFS. IN PHOTO LEFT, Riverside Park owner and operator Edward J. Carroll is being presented a "Lifetime Member Award" from Agawam AFS for his generosity to the group over the years. From left - David Carpenter, AFS board member; Carroll; Dan Lacienski, AFS board member; and Barbara McFarland, the students' chaperone. IN PHOTO RIGHT, some of the AFS exchange students enjoy miniature golf at The Sand Trap at the Twin Silos Complex. RELATED ARTICLE & PHOTOS on Pages 26 & 28. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



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AFS - from Pages 26 & 27...

On Monday night, Jerry & Marilyn Sullivan of Agawam opened their home and pool to the AFS students for a party. On Tuesday morning, the students gathered with their chaperone for a long meeting at the Polish Club. In the afternoon, the students were bussed to the Holyoke Mall to shop.

BBQ Finishes Trip

And finally, on Tuesday evening, the students gathered with their host families at the Polish Club for a barbecue. The students danced the night away to the tunes of local disc jockey Charlie Parker, and then were given a continental breakfast at midnight.

At about 1:30 a.m., the students (and tons of luggage) boarded a bus that was bound for C.W. Post College in Long Island. There, AFS-USA housed, fed, and organized several thousand AFS students who were departing for their homelands over the next few days from JFK International Airport. The Agawam AFS students arrived at C.W. Post with their bus after an enjoyable six days in Baltimore.

Agawam AFS wishes to thank board members Dave & Billie Ann Carpenter for their help and support in again making "Bus Stop" '94 a success; to King Ward Coach Lines of West Springfield; to the Town of Agawam; to the Polish American Club and its Food Service Director, Robert Harkins, The Polverari Family, owners of Sand Trap at the Twin Silos Complex, and the Agawam School Department.

Agawam AFS also sincerely thanks the following host families for opening their homes to these foreign exchange students: Pat & Karen Asta-Ferrero, Mary Ellen Bruce, Dave & Billie Ann Carpenter, Steve & Kathy Cassanelli, Jean Clifford, Patrick & Donna Decoteau, John & Rosemary Dialessi, Tony & Linda Galarneau, Dave & Terry Gallerani, Nancy Thompson-Gravel, Dan & Lee Lacienski, Al & Teri Machia, Philip & Chris Machos, Henry & Sheila Mercolino, Michael & Frances Oppendisano, Ric & Betsy Sardella, and Jerry & Marilyn Sullivan.



PLAYING GOLF AT SAND TRAP MINIATURE GOLF COURSE (TOP PHOTO) at the Twin Silos Complex are American Intercultural Programs (AFS) students, - from left - Max (Brazil), Christina (Germany), Anders (Germany), Beth Lacienski of Feeding Hills, and Ernie (Italy). The Polverari Family were the gracious hosts. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

Marwan Zu'Bi Earns Juris Doctorate Degree From WNEC

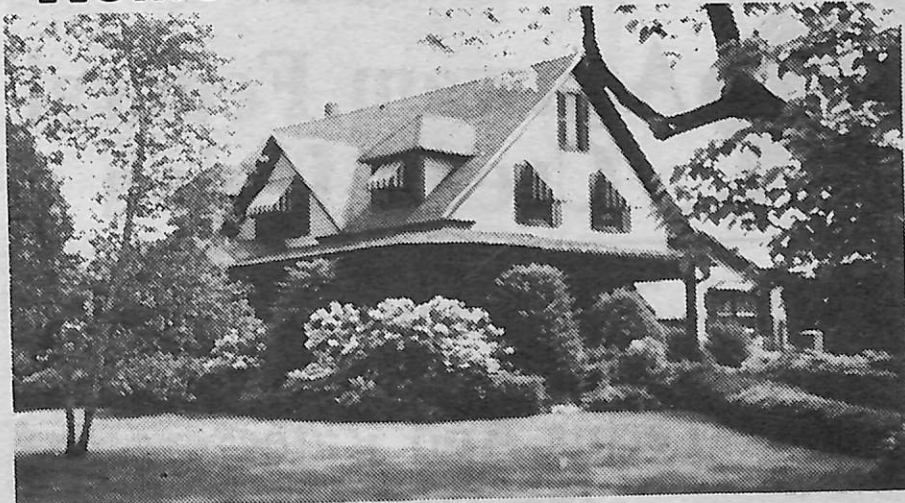
Marwan Zu'Bi, son of Dr. Said and Mary Zu'Bi of 62 Pleasant Valley Road, Feeding Hills, received a Juris Doctorate degree cum laude from Dr. Beverly Miller, president of Western New England College, at the college's commencement ceremonies held in May.

Marwan was on The Law Review at WNEC School of Law and spent his third year as a visiting student at Boston University School of Law. He has taken the Massachusetts Bar Examination.

Western New England College is a private, coeducational institution located on a 131-acre suburban campus in Springfield, MA. The college serves more than 6,000 full- and part-time students with undergraduate programs in its Schools of Arts and Sciences, Business and Engineering, and graduate programs in its Schools of Business, Engineering, and Law.



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Girl Scout Council To Celebrate 75th At Camp Bonnie Brae

Pioneer Valley Girl Scout Council will be celebrating the 75th anniversary of Camp Bonnie Brae in East Otis, MA, the oldest Girl Scout Camp in the U.S.A., with a special day-long event to be held Saturday, August 13th at the camp.

Activities will include tours of the camp, historical exhibits, swimming, boating, hiking, singing, games, crafts, decade photos, as well as special ceremonies, V.I.P. speeches, and the presentation of the Jan Maloney Campership Fund and Master Site Plan.

Registration fee for the all-day event is \$4 per person, with meals optional at \$3 and \$4 for lunch and dinner, respectively. Round-trip bus transportation from Springfield will be available at \$10 per person.

Overnight tent lodging is also available on a first-come, first-served basis at \$2 per person. The registration deadline is August 1st.

Over 500 Camp Bonnie Brae alumnae from all over the country are expected to attend this very special celebration. Founded in 1919, Camp Bonnie Brae is one of the few camps belonging to the American Camping Association's Pioneer of Camping Club that have operated for more than 45 years. The concept of the "buddy system" and the "C.I.T." (counselor in training) program both originated at Camp Bonnie Brae.

For more information on attending the 75th Anniversary of Camp Bonnie Brae (or Camp Edith G. Newell), please contact Pioneer Valley Girl Scout Council at 525-4124 or 1-800-639-7047.

Publication Is Now Available To Help With The Search For College Financial Aid

Each year individuals preparing to go to college or graduate school face the dilemma of how to pay for tuition, room & board, textbooks, lab fees, and other expenses. That's because college costs have skyrocketed and continue to increase yearly, putting extra strain on family budgets and assets.

Yet there are over 375,000 funding sources available to assist these students. Contrary to popular belief, over 80 percent of the funds available to students do not depend on family need or high grades. Many are based on factors such as the student's interests, hobbies, academic focus, age, ethnic background, or parent's work or military service.

Remarkably, over \$6.6 billion of this funding goes uncollected each year simply because people do not ask for it, according to a report by the National Commission on Student Financial Aid. Now a new academic funding publication, updated for 1994, is available to help step students through the process and to outline their options and identify sources for assistance.

For information on how to receive academic funding and scholarships, send a Number 10, self-addressed, double stamped envelope, plus \$1 to cover handling, to the National Academic Funding Administration, 26 Coe Drive, Suite 1300, Durham, New Hampshire, 03824.

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LIFEGUARDS - from Page 1...

Kunasek realizes that the "job can be boring at times" while the guards are looking out for trouble. But Kunasek also realizes that the children depend on these individuals. "There is a lot of pressure on these kids (lifeguards). It is a real responsible job."

Fortunately, there have not been any life-threatening accidents at the town pool. As a matter of fact, Agawam is home to one of the few public swimming pools in the area which still has diving boards up and ready for use. The strong presence of qualified lifeguards, coupled with a group of well-behaved campers, have been instrumental in the saving of the boards.

"Kids Love To Swim"

While parents may have to twist their child's arm to clean his or her room, and they may have to beg in order to pull them away from their favorite television show, one thing is for sure—parents don't have to ask a child twice if they would like to go swimming.

As Kunasek puts it, "The kids love to swim. It's very popular."

With the hot and sticky summer we've been experiencing, it's easy to see why the campers crave the water. But summer swelter or not, the kids are in the pool. No matter what the weatherman says, the town pool is open for business and the children are up for the swim.

"Every (age) group has swimming lessons and free swim," Kunasek told *The Agawam Advertiser News*. Each youngster participates in morning swim classes at least once a week and can enjoy free swim every afternoon, he added. Whether the campers are learning pool safety or romping in the water with their friends, "There are six guards on duty at all time," said Kunasek, adding, "They are making sure the children's day is free from injury and full of fun at the same time."

The town pool is open to the public from 12:00 noon to 7:00 p.m. The Perry Lane bunch occupies the swimming hole from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., five days a week. Since the times overlap, the people of Agawam get to share the swimming facilities with "about 200 kids in the pool," said Kunasek. But he is quick to remark that everything is "pretty well under control and the kids are very well-behaved."

The campers are taught to be "courteous in swim class and to respect the water." Kunasek told *The AAN* that water safety is the key to a fun day at the pool. Before any Perry Lane camper enters the swimming pool, they must know all of the rules.

Good Relationship With Town Pool

Perry Lane Day Camp is happy with its relationship with the town pool. And even with all of the funds needed to keep such a pool running, Kunasek said, "It is definitely worth it." He estimated the costs of keeping the pool going to be about \$6,000 annually.

The town pool will be open to the public up through Labor Day, and Perry Lane's swimming days wrap up on Friday, August 19th.

Swimming is not only a popular activity with the kids of Perry Lane. In the cooler months of the year, the town runs swimming lessons at the Junior High School. Each year this program has been available, the allotted slots for soon-to-be swimmers have been filled in one day.

Kunasek told us, "It's very important kids know how to swim." And with the help of the lifeguards and swim instructors at Perry Lane, the children of Agawam will be able to have a safe and enjoyable summer doing so.

Details On Back-To-School Science Contest Are Available Now

Area science teachers will have all summer to review science contest details available now from Continental Cablevision. The Discovery Channel and Continental Cablevision have launched a science contest, "Suit Up for the Space Shuttle," to help teachers light a spark in fourth and fifth grade students this September.

The contest, designed by U.S. Space Camp educators to enhance science curricula, is a two-week lesson plan of activities that culminates with four-person student teams building space suits.

In addition to local prizes, Grand Prize winning teams and their teachers will go to U.S. Space Camp in Huntsville, Alabama, for a five-day visit.

Area science teachers can use the summer to plan for the contest by requesting full details of the contest by sending a self-addressed stamped envelope to Science Contest, Continental Cablevision, 1127 Main Street, Springfield, MA 01103.

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KEEPING THE TOWN POOL safe for Perry Lane campers is a top priority, especially for the little ones. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Westfield Boys & Girls Club Is Looking For Crafters For October 1994 Fair

The Boys & Girls Club of Greater Westfield, Inc. are looking for "crafters" to participate in a Craft Fair at the Club on October 29th, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The Craft Fair will be held in conjunction with a Fall Festival Family Weekend, planned by the

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New England Bank Sponsors Two Fundraising Events

New England Bank, in conjunction with World Class Chrysler, sponsored two fundraising events on Friday, June 17th and again on Saturday, June 25th to benefit the Fidelco Guide Dog Foundation.

The Fidelco Guide Dog Foundation is a non-profit organization, based in Bloomfield, which breeds, trains, and places German shepherd guide dogs with blind men and women. The foundation has enhanced the lives of more than 340 individuals in the last 13 years and it hopes to place 45 working guide dog teams in 1994.

Employees, their families, friends, neighbors, and customers of New England Bank and World Class Chrysler joined in the fun. Some of those participants included Angelina J. McGilivray, President, Cocomo Associates Realtors, Nancy Levin, Vice President of the Fidelco Guide Dog Foundation, Dave Lentini, President and CEO of New England Bank, John A. Cocomo, Sr., Secretary of the Board for New England Bank, and Stacey Kazperzak, CSR, New England Bank.

WTIC-AM broadcasted from the parking lot of New England Bank's Windsor Office where numerous activities took place throughout the day. The Fidelco Dog demonstrations drew a crowd. Bank employees volunteered their time in order to provide free activities for the kids, which included face painting, clowns, and balloons.

Hot dog, popcorn, and soda sales benefited the Fidelco Guide Dog Foundation. New England Bank and World Class Chrysler held a free drawing with prizes that included color televisions, radios, tool kits, umbrellas, and emergency flashlights. This successful event raised over \$1,300 for the Fidelco Guide Dog Foundation.

"Without the community commitment from all of the employees of New England Bank, this day would not have been as successful as it was," said Dave Lentini, President and CEO of New England Bank.

"The employees of this bank always impress me with their willingness to roll up their sleeves and give back to their communities by donating so much of their own free time."



NEW ENGLAND BANK helped raise funds for the Fidelco Guide Dog Foundation of Bloomfield in June. The foundation helps to place guide dogs with blind men and women.

Enfield Montessori School Slates Juried Craft Fair For Oct.

The fifth Annual Harvestfest juried craft fair, sponsored by Enfield Montessori School, will be held on Saturday, October 8th from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., on the front lawn of the Felician Sisters' residence on Enfield Street.

Fee for a 12-foot x 12-foot space is \$35. Contact Harvestfest, c/o L. Dahlem, Enfield Montessori School, 1370 Enfield Street, Enfield, CT 06082.

Please enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Rain date is October 9th.

Best local news...

Tracy Pevzner Attains Spring 1994 Dean's List At Framingham State

Tracy E. Pevzner of Agawam was among those students at Framingham State College who were named to either the Dean's List or the President's List for the spring 1994 semester.

Tracy, a member of the class of 1995 and a psychology major, qualified for Dean's List standing.

To be selected for the Dean's List, a student must earn a Quality Point Average (Q.P.A.) of 3.25 or higher.

To be selected for the President's List, a student must make the Dean's List for three consecutive semesters.

Kevin Innarelli In Austria For Language School

Kevin Innarelli, a junior at Virginia Wesleyan College in Norfolk, Virginia, majoring in German and philosophy, will be attending the Internationale Ferienkurse in Mayrhofen, Austria for five weeks this summer for a course in "German Language and Culture."

Besides learning to speak fluent German, he will also earn six college credits. He will be making excursions to Innsbruck, Salzburg, Vienna, and Venice, Italy.

Kevin is a 1992 graduate of Agawam High School and is the son of Carla Dempsey of Feeding Hills and Louis Innarelli of Springfield. He is also the grandson of Mrs. Grace Kinney of Feeding Hills.



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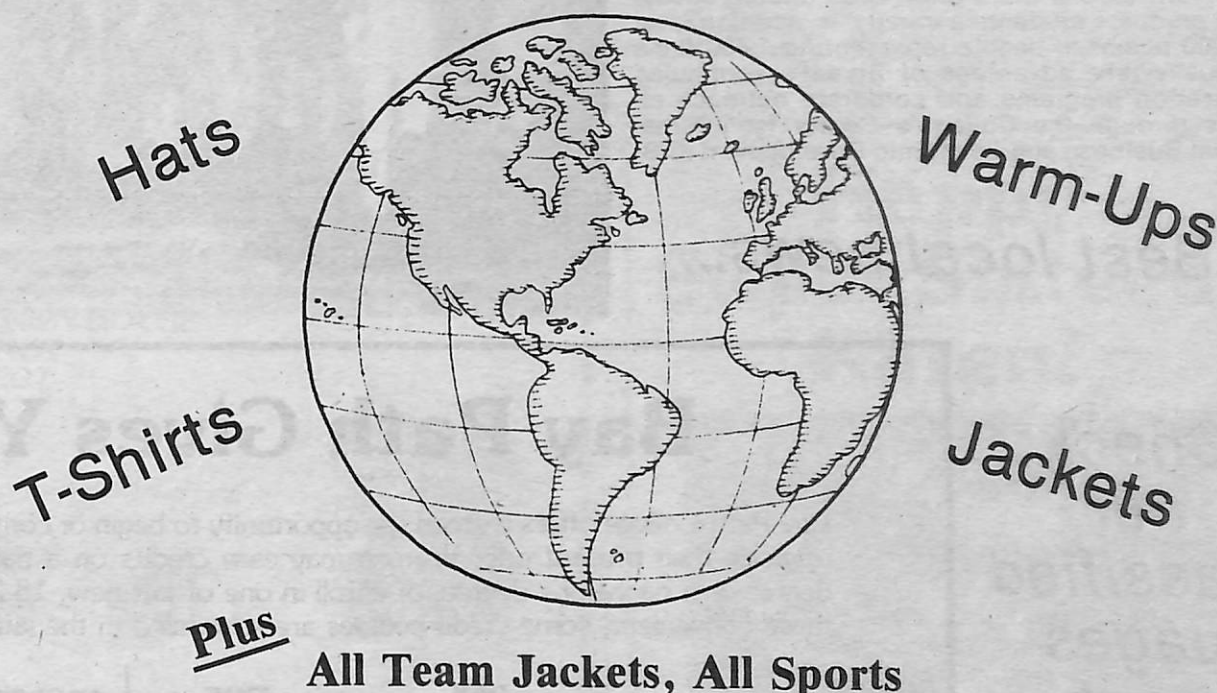
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Summer Super Scoop For Ice Cream Lovers Planned For West Side

The West Springfield Boys & Girls Club is holding its sixth annual "Super Scoop." The "all-you-can-eat" ice cream extravaganza is open on Saturday, August 6th from 11:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday, August 7th from 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m.

Look for the giant tent on the Park Avenue common across from the IHOP. Adults pay \$3 and children under 12 pay \$2 to enter the tent and eat as much ice cream as they want from seven different ice cream companies.

This year's participants are Hood, Brigham's, Ben & Jerry's, Dairy Mart, Colombo, Friendly's, and Crowley Foods. Each booth will have four flavors from which to choose. Come sample all of the new flavors that are being introduced at this event. Local celebrities will be scooping during the weekend.

WMAS AM/FM will be providing music. There will be face painting and balloons for the kids. Advance tickets may be purchased for \$2 at the club on 615 Main St., West Springfield.

This is a major fundraiser for the club. All monies will go to the West Springfield Boys & Girls Club for its youth programs.

Local Students Named To Spring 1994 Dean's List At Bryant College

The following Agawam and Feeding Hills residents were among those students who were named to the spring 1994 semester Dean's List at Bryant College:

Christina Ferrari of 31 Memorial Park, Feeding Hills, a sophomore applied actuarial math major; **Amy LaPlante** of 18 Karen Lynn Circle, Feeding Hills, a junior accounting/financial major; **Vincent Petrangelo** of 1639 Suffield Street, Agawam, a sophomore finance major; **Joshua Tudryn** of 166 Walnut Street, Agawam, a sophomore history major; **Sean Wandrei** of 23 Ottawa Street, Agawam, a sophomore accounting/financial major; and **David Zielinski** of 476 Southwick Street, a sophomore finance major.

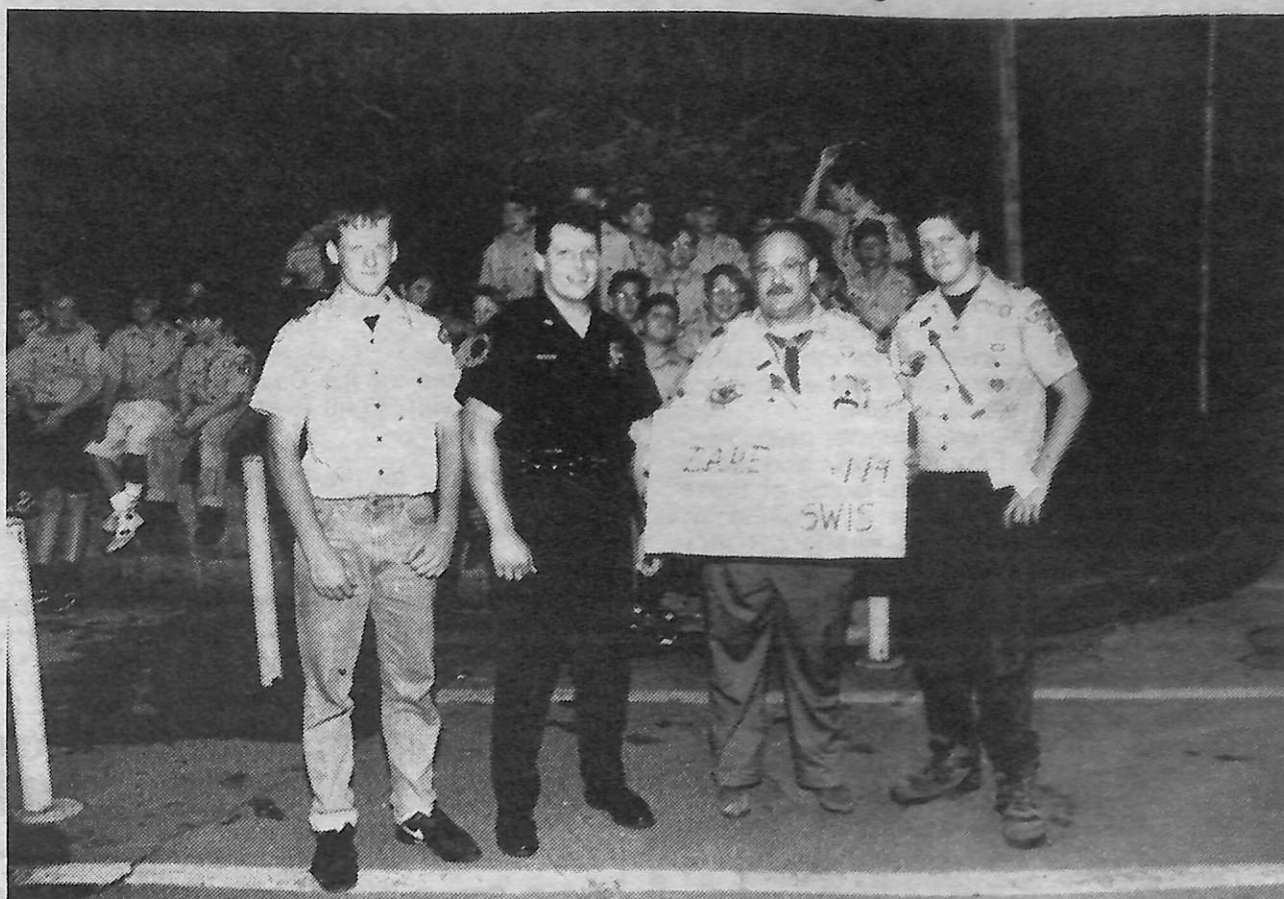
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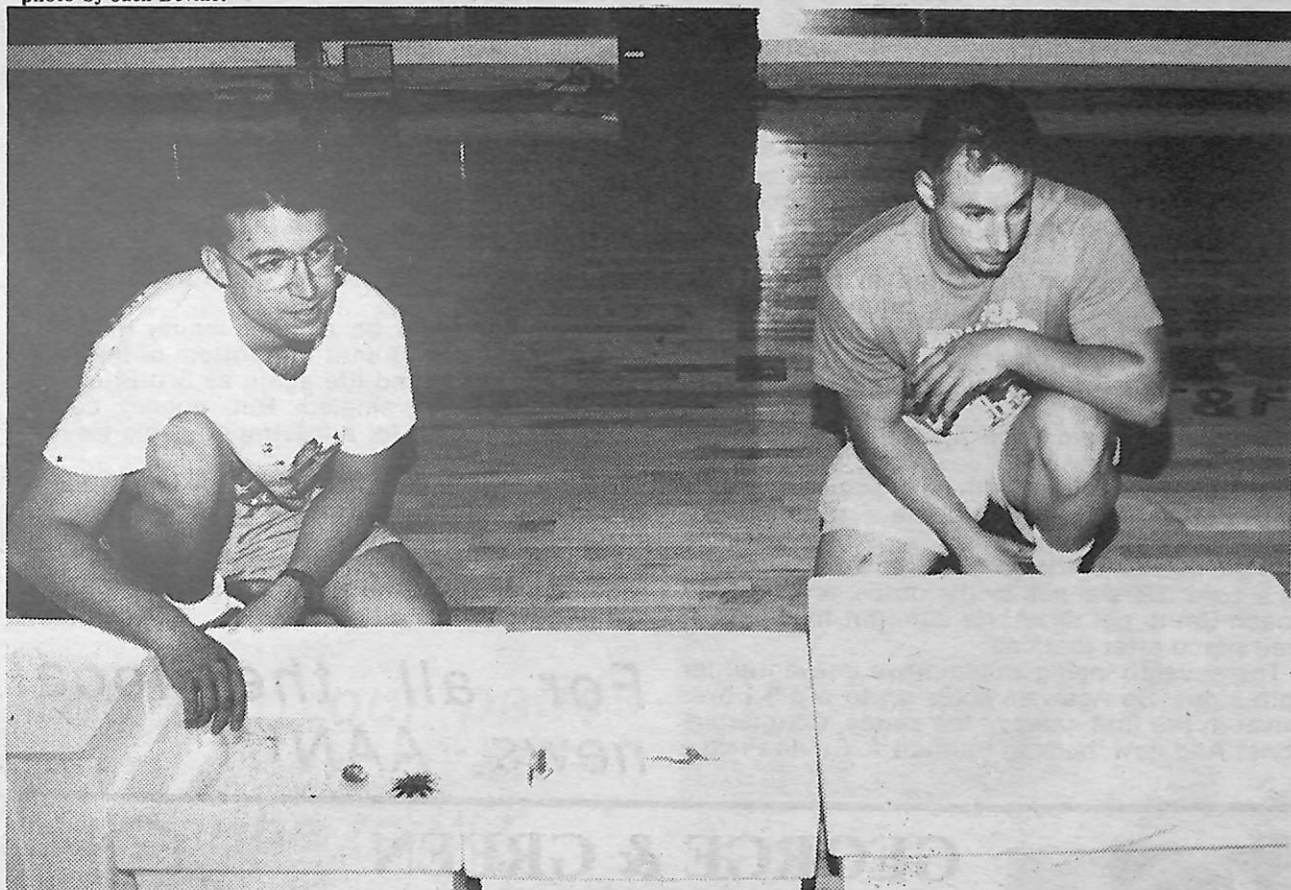
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KID'S KAMP PARTICIPANTS at Fitness First Health & Racquet Club are all eyes as Aqua Dreams of Feeding Hills presents a program on small fish and a few slimy critters. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



AQUA DREAMS owners and operators Chris Lucia and Dan Miseri presented a program to youngsters who attended Kid's Kamp at Fitness First Health & Racquet Club on Wednesday, July 27th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



KID'S KAMP YOUNGSTERS at Fitness First look over little creatures from Aqua Dreams in Feeding Hills. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Aqua Dreams Visits Fitness First

On Wednesday, July 27th, the owners of Aqua Dreams (Feeding Hills) visited Fitness First's kid's kamp with very special friends in tow!

Chris Lucia and Dan Miseri, co-owners of Aqua Dreams fish store, brought along a few turtles, guppies, a crayfish, crabs, starfish, a puffer-fish, and even an Australian shark to share with the kampers (ages three to 12).

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Fitness First holds their kid's kamp every summer. About 40 kampers enjoyed this year's visit. This is Aqua Dreams's second annual visit.

Happy Sweet Sixteen, Karen!

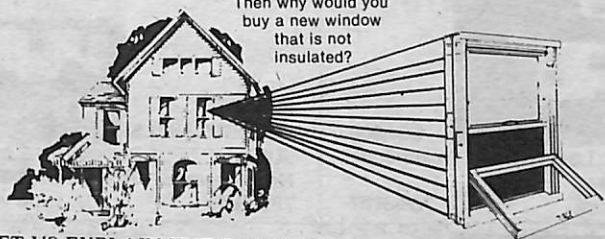
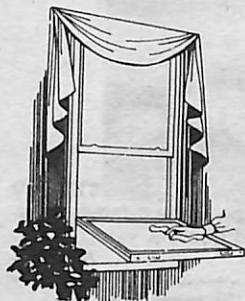


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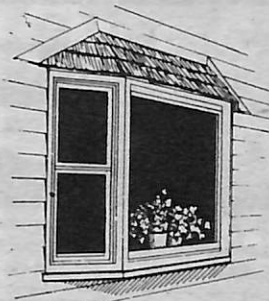
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Ag. Auto School Continues On Road For 3rd Tri-County Title

Escape Chicopee Tigers To Advance Vs. Oliver Auto School Holds Off Oliver Takes 2nd Game Oliver In Game 1, 3-1 In Semi-Final Match

by Brian Colby
Advertiser News Correspondent

At presstime last week, we brought you the two Chicopee games that left the series between **Agawam Auto** and the **Tigers** with one win apiece. Now we bring you the third.

After Agawam won the second game at Szot Park last Tuesday night, they returned to Harmon A. Smith Field to play the deciding game of the series on Wednesday, July 27th, where Agawam pulled off a 2-1 win in what was to be a rough and dirty game.

In the first inning, both teams went down in order relatively quiet, with the exception of Jed Brietbart getting hit by another pitch. This would be no big deal, except this was the fourth time in the three games he'd been hit. A few words were exchanged, but it was resolved quietly.

In the second, Chicopee would once again go down in 1-2-3 fashion, but Agawam would seem to be getting something going as Frank Mochak singled and Shawn Smith would walk. But, a ground out and a harmless fly ball would end the threat.

As the third inning came around, Jeff Spanswick (pitcher for Agawam) would be on fire as he, for the third inning in a row, shut down the Tigers in order.

Agawam would get one run in the third as Brietbart would double, and later Ray Burgess would sac-fly to score Brietbart.

Game Becomes "Very Interesting"

In the fourth, Chicopee would get some runners on a couple of errors, but would do nothing with them. At this point, as Agawam came to bat, the game became very interesting.

Brian Griffin would single, and Jay Wooley would double him in for what would be the winning run. After this, though, the Chicopee pitcher must have grown frustrated because he began hitting people ... and guess whom he hit again—Brietbart!

Brietbart had to be retamed at this point, as both benches cleared. Brian Doyle was also hit by a pitch, which really didn't help matters during that inning.

In the fifth, Chicopee would get a run on a double-single combo, and that's all they would get as Agawam would hold on to win 2-1. Time for a little celebrating—that is, until next week...

Fitness First To Hold Second Vicki Sleeper Golf Tournament

Fitness First will be holding the second annual Vicki Sleeper Memorial Golf Tournament on August 13th at Shaker Farms Country Club in Westfield. All interested players should contact Fitness First at 786-1460. Field is limited to first come, first served. Teams of four may play for \$200/team.

A steak dinner will be held at Shaker Farms immediately following the tournament. Dinner tickets are available at Fitness First for \$20 per person, also.

Anyone who wishes to purchase a raffle ticket or donate a prize towards the raffle may contact Fitness First.

All proceeds will go to benefit the Greater Springfield Battered Women's Shelter and Services (Los Caberneros) in Vicki's memory.

Vicki Sleeper was the Aquatic director at Fitness First until her death last September.

Ag. Youth Football Slates "Candy Blitz" For Sat., August 13th

The Agawam Youth Football Association Junior and Senior Players will be conducting a "Candy Blitz" in Agawam and Feeding Hills on Saturday, August 13th, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

This major fundraiser will help defray the cost of equipping nearly 70 players.

by Brian Colby
Advertiser News Correspondent

Hello. Well, readers, it's now "next week" and it's time for another round of Tri-County baseball.

Agawam Auto traveled to Veterans' Field Monday night to take on **Oliver Auto Body** in second-round playoff action for the right to play in the League Championship. This is also a best-of-three series.

Well, even though the weather was gloomy, spirits were high on the Agawam sidelines, especially after Jed Brietbart (in the first at-bat of the game) smoked a home run that rolled up into the street about 400 feet away, giving Agawam an early 1-0 lead (no fences).

Oliver would threaten in their part of the second inning, as they would have second and third with one out, but a harmless grounder and a key strikeout by Jimmy Walker (pitcher) would end the inning.

In the third, Agawam would get a run on a walk by Brietbart and a single by Ray Burgess to score Brietbart. Agawam would have had more as Bob Altobelli hit an absolute shot to center, but the centerfielder made one of the nicest catches I've ever seen to hold Agawam to a one-run inning. Nice catch (wow!).

Both teams would be retired in order in the fourth inning, as both of the pitchers did their jobs. Then, in the fifth, Agawam would threaten as Nate Wooley and Brietbart would both single, but neither of them would cross the plate before three outs.

Agawam Gets "Insurance"

In the top of the sixth, Agawam would get an insurance run, as Frank Mochak would walk and then Matt Edgerly would double him across the plate for a three-run lead.

In the bottom of the sixth, Oliver would get a run on a controversial call by the umps, and boy, did Coach Smith get upset. He sure put the umps in their place after that call!

The seventh inning would prove uneventful for both sides. So Agawam holds on to win 3-1 over Oliver in the first game of the series. Congratulations! And now, back to Harmon A. Smith Field...

by Brian Colby
Advertiser News Correspondent

Now, we're back at Agawam on Tuesday night, August 2nd, to see if Agawam will win a championship berth...or will Oliver force a third game to be played back at Veterans' Field on Wednesday, August 3rd (presstime)? Let's find out.

Agawam Auto was nervous in the top of the first, as a single and a couple of errors gave **Oliver Auto Body** a bases-loaded situation with one out. Jeff Spanswick, however, came through for Agawam as he struck out the fifth and sixth batters to save Agawam some runs.

Agawam wouldn't get much going in the first, as the team seemed flat even after Bob Altobelli singled to left. The second inning would do squat for either team as both were shut down in 1-2-3 fashion, so let me take you to the top of the third.

It was trouble from the start as Oliver's leadoff man tripled and was then singled-in for a run. Another triple was belted to score another run, and a sac-fly gave Oliver yet one more run before Spanswick could get a ground ball for the third out. Oliver now had a 3-0 lead.

Agawam "Threatens," But To No Avail...

Agawam would threaten in their part of the inning as Brian Doyle reached on an error and Ray Burgess singled, but nothing could be done with it.

The fourth would be a quiet inning for both teams, and it wasn't until the bottom of the fifth that Agawam showed life again as Jed Brietbart walked and Doyle singled. But, nobody could score, thus making for a frustrating game for the local team.

The sixth inning would bring no joy for anybody, and in the seventh Oliver got two more runs to make the lead 5-0 (which was just too much of a deficit for the Agawam players that night).

So, at presstime, the series stands at 1-1. Good luck, Agawam!

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Riverside Park Golf Tournament A Great Success

On June 20th, 1994, Riverside Park held its Fourth Annual Edward J. Carroll Sr. Scholarship Fund Golf Tournament. It took place at the Oak Ridge Country Club in Feeding Hills and according to Mr. T.C. Freeman, organizer of the event, it was a huge success: "We had beautiful weather, and thanks to the sponsorship and participation of local businesses, individuals, and vendors, we are able to give 15 \$1,000 scholarships!"

This scholarship fund was created in memory of Edward J. Carroll Sr., the man who is responsible for the Riverside Park you see today. Mr. Carroll always felt strongly about providing opportunity, especially in the way of education to the young people who come to be a part of the Riverside Family.

The golf tournament saw a turnout of about 152 golfers that spent a great day at Oak Ridge and were later treated to a dinner and raffle and gifts at the grove at the Park.



LOCAL LINKSTERS who participated in the Fourth Annual Edward J. Carroll, Sr. Scholarship Fund Golf Tournament are pictured with park owner and operator Edward J. Carroll, Jr. **TOP PHOTO**, from left - Gary Martinelli, Larry Pellegrini, Ed Carroll, Charlie Noble, and Jay Ashe. **BOTTOM PHOTO** - Ed Carroll, Ron Liampro, George Bickford, and Dick Hopwell. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

Agawam Seniors Golf League Winds Up With Successful Season

The Agawam Seniors Golf League that played at the Agawam Country Club is winding up with a very successful season.

A field day is being planned for the week after the season is completed. Prizes will be awarded for closest to the flag on holes that will be designated. Also, a putting contest will be one of the events to win a prize.

A plaque donated by Richard Mundo, Executive Director at the Senior Center, will be on display at the Country Club, and each year the names of winners for the most points for the season will be inscribed on the plaque.

Bob Johnson, the league's statistician, will name the winners.

Ray Charest, who organized the league, says that the 20 golfers who played in the league this year were a group of great guys who enjoyed playing each week and making new friends. Ray, as well as Bob Johnson, is very optimistic that next year the league will have many more golfers who will sign up to play.

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A Good Day For Fishing... Despite The Summer Heat!!!

In spite of the recent intense heat, Angie Borgatti and I wanted to go fishing, so we gave it a try and arrived at the ramp of Big Pond around 8:00 in the morning. A boat with a family from Holyoke (Keith Davis and his wife, Carol) and a friend, Misty Barsalou, were launching ahead of us.

They were sent over from Otis Reservoir by a friend that was working in Tolland State Forest. The friend told them that a lot of trout had been stocked in Big Pond and directed them to a place to anchor their boat and fish with corn and worms.

Angie and I had a very successful day fishing for perch and bullheads. Angie caught a trout about 17 inches long in 10 feet of water, and we were amazed at the feat. Trout usually find cold springs to hang out in during the summer months.

The heat eventually became unbearable, and a rumble of thunder convinced us to decide to quit fishing and head for home. Following us down the brook to the ramp was the Davis family.

We compared catches and—lo and behold—the information the Davis family received from their friend held true. Carol showed us three nice trout they caught, plus about 20 other fish out of the same hole they fished in.

A nice 14- to 15-inch brown trout and two rainbows about the same size were headed for the frying pan.

A FIRST-EVER SPORTSMEN'S LEGAL DEFENSE FUND has been established in an effort to create standing capability to aggressively use the courts to advance and defend the interests of sportsmen.

Launched by the Wildlife Conservation Fund of America, the fund is intended to take the offensive in protecting the integrity of America's hun-

ting and traditional wildlife management system. A full-scale defense fund was envisioned after several questionable moves by the U.S. Department of the Interior.

In an out-of-court lawsuit settlement, a move regarded by many in the conservation community as a "sweetheart deal" with anti-hunting extremists could close down hunting on the nation's 91 million-acre National Wildlife Refuge System.

The government agreed to produce an annual study of each refuge to justify secondary uses (such as hunting, trapping, and fishing) to the satisfaction of those who brought the suit, including the Defenders of Wildlife and the Wilderness Society. If the study is incomplete, deemed not satisfactory, or if the government cannot prove adequate funding to continue the programs, they will be discontinued.

In a related move, Fish and Wildlife Service Director Mollie Beattie issued a March directive which found that the refuge system is underfunded to such a degree that units must be closed down. Further, it orders that an array of activities (including hunting, trapping, and fishing) be stopped to save money ... in spite of a \$50 million requested budget increase!

She received the \$50 million increase, and it was directed to Texas and New Mexico to clean up the rivers between Mexico and the United States. This pollution has been caused by the companies from this country that moved down to Mexico; however, these companies are absolved from cleaning up their mess, and the sportsmen are not only footing the bill but are losing their hunting, fishing, and trapping privileges on the refuges besides.

Rick Story said, "It is indicative of the Clinton Administration that the Interior Department gave up this nation's sportsmen to the anti-hunting crowd without a fight."

Senator Diane Feinstein and fellow California Democratic Senator Barbara Boxer were successful in having the East Mojave preserve language inserted in the Senate version of the Bill, S.21., which made the area a national preserve (a national park) which locks out hunting, fishing, and trapping on 6.6 million acres.

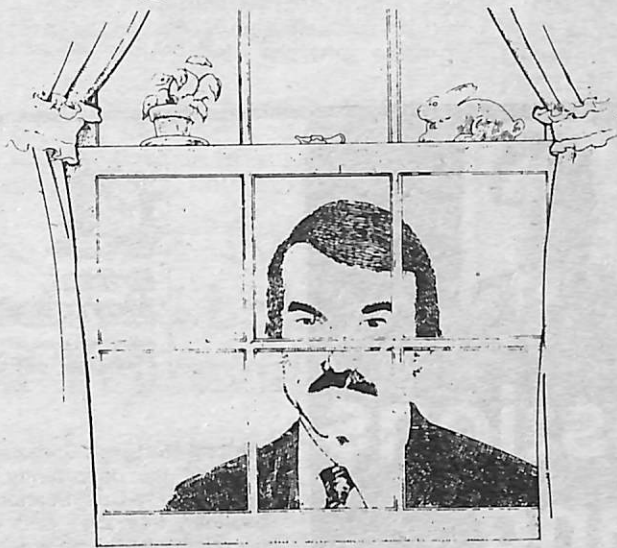
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Western Mass. Special Olympic Skaters Compete In Boston

Recently, the Special Olympic athletes from Western Massachusetts competed in the games held at MIT in Boston. These games hold events for various levels in the dance, figure, speed, and freestyle skating categories.

The Western Massachusetts athletes practice weekly at the Rollaway in Agawam. The owners, Susan Maiolo and her son David and daughter Gay, donate their facility and have supported the Special Olympics program for several years now.

Pat Shary and Heather Shary of Broad Brook, Connecticut, run the practice sessions and assist the athletes in their practice routines. They run through speed skating with them and help them to learn the steps for the dance events.

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Returning from MIT with gold medals were Michael DiMauro, Mark Sico, and Cathy Rahilly (who was pictured in an earlier edition of *The Agawam Advertiser News*).

Yankees Major Division Little League Champs



THE YANKEES were the 1994 Major Division Champs of the Agawam Little League. Back row, from left - Michael Federico, Corey Federico, Brian Foley, John Tisdell, Jared Hamre. Back row - Jason McKinnon, Greg Boisvert, Brian St. Jean, Coach Paul Federico, Dave Schubach, Jonathan Bruyette. Missing - Tim Sullivan and Steve McLaughlin.

Thomas DalMolin Golf Tournament To Be Held September 11th

The Thomas DalMolin Scholarship Committee will be holding its First Annual Golf Tournament on September 11th from 12:00 noon to finish at the Agawam Country Club, Southwick Street, Feeding Hills, MA. The cost for the event is \$60, and this includes the holes of golf, a cart, prizes, and a steak dinner at Ferruccio's (across from Riverside Park in Agawam).

You can reserve your spot by calling Kip Regnier, 786-9773; Mary Lou Vigue, 786-1959; Diane Rolandini, 736-4170; or Joe Chaves, 589-0901. Checks should be made payable to the Thomas DalMolin Scholarship Fund, c/o Mary Lou Vigue, 70 Reed Street, Agawam, MA 01001.

Deadline for reservations and money is September 3rd.

Antique Car Club Has Nights In Enfield

The Crankers Antique Car Club, a non-profit organization, invites the public to attend "Enfield Cruise Night" every Tuesday night at the Porter & Chester Institute main parking lot.

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The area golf courses along with Oak Ridge were Hampden Country Club, Shaker Farms Country Club, Tekoa Country Club, and Southampton Country Club. In all, over 1,000 golfers participated in this annual event.

The Tournament has been named "Our Kids," as children's hospitals throughout New England benefit from the Tournament proceeds.

After the Tournament, the participants from the five area courses and guests converged upon Oak Ridge for a cook-out and awards ceremony. In all, over 1,300 cook-out dinners were served, and this year's event raised over \$225,000.

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Bobby Jones's wonderful book, *Bobby Jones on Golf*, is the best book I've ever read on actually playing the game. I have it with me whenever I'm playing in a tournament.

If I could simplify what he talks about down to one key idea, it's that you must swing the clubhead. When mechanical thoughts creep into your mind, they tend to impede that process. No matter what shot you are trying to hit, you must make an effort to make a long, full backswing and give yourself enough time to coordinate your swing.

This is true of all shots, from the driver to the putter. I can't count the number of shots that I've ruined by making a short, fast backswing, especially under pressure or when you are trying to play a delicate little shot like a chip or pitch.

The most recent tournament when remembering Bob Jones's admonition helped me was in the 1990 Southwestern Bell Colonial at Colonial C.C. in Fort Worth.

I came to the par-4 17th with a three-shot lead. The wind was blowing very hard from the left to the right, and I wanted to hit a 1-iron off the tee because accuracy is so crucial. The wind is another factor that can lead you to shortening your swing, and sure enough, I came out of the shot and hung the ball way out to the right. The ball landed in a drainage ditch.

Now I had a really difficult shot. I had 172 yards to a tightly bunkered green. The wind was blowing left to right and a little bit against. I took a 4-iron, aimed it out to the left of the green, and just before I hit the ball I reminded myself to "swing the clubhead." The shot came off perfectly, and I held on to win.

Youth Football Sign-Ups Available At Park & Rec. Dept.

Players who missed the recent sign-up for the Agawam Youth Football Association will be able to register at the Agawam Park and Recreation Department office. To be eligible, players must reside in Agawam.

The Junior Division consists of players in grades four to six. Sixth graders may not turn 13 prior to January 1st, 1995.

The Senior Division consists of players in grades seven and eight. Eighth graders may not turn 15 prior to January 1st, 1995.

Sign-up fees are \$75 per player, \$100 per family (two players). For additional information, call 786-3846.

All the local news with us, each week



IN TOP PHOTO, manning the grills at Oak Ridge Golf Club for the Edwards Super Food Stores charity golf tournament are Sue Dahle, Bonnie Willey, Amy Sturmer, Laura Lee Martin, and Julie Sobinski. IN PHOTO BELOW, Hank Drewnowski, Stew Safford, and John Szarek take care of the corn. RELATED PHOTO on next page.



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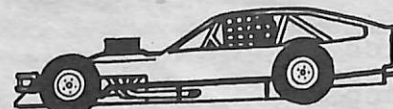


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NATIONAL DIVISION	W	L
Copper Door	19	7
Spalding/Dudley	19	7
Cabin	17	7
Bobby's Lounge	16	10
Cortina's Tile	15	9
Plainfield/Scrubbers	14	11
E.B's	12	14
Sam's Sports Bar	11	15
Agawam Spirit Shoppe	9	17
Joey's Pizzeria/Pub.	9	18
Bobby's Iron Ducks	7	19
Dante Club	6	20

AMERICAN—NORTH	W	L
Italian Sporting Club	18	7
Elbow Lounge-Sharks	18	8
Agawam Moose Club	17	9
Scoreboard Lounge	15	10
Village Lounge	13	11
Winn Liquors	13	11
Balise/Honda	10	16
Abbett Tax Consultants	10	16
Balzer's Tool Coating	9	17
Powers Cafe	4	21

AMERICAN—SOUTH	W	L
Bertelli's Liquors	23	1
Pink Cadillac Productions	21	4
Buccaneer Lounge 2	19	5
Bobby's Lounge	18	7
Michael Anthony's	16	9
Bio Care	15	12
Heritage Hall	13	13
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Coast To Coast	11	12
Southworth Paper Co.	11	16
Buccaneer Lounge 1	9	15
Professional Traffic Systems	8	16
Teddy Bear Pools	7	18
Agawam Tire/Auto	4	21
Desi's Place	2	22

Many Travel Guides For Summer Vacation At Agawam Library

Summertime means vacation time. But, before you head out to your destination, check out the Agawam Public Library's collection of travel guides.

Travel guides can help you plan your itinerary, spend your travel dollar more wisely, and make certain you don't miss any lesser-known attractions.

Recent additions to the library's collection include the following:

- "Bed and Breakfast U.S.A." by Betty Rundback and Peggy Ackerman (647.9476);
- "English Country Bed and Breakfast" by Karen Brown (647.9442);
- "Camp The U.S. For \$5.00 or Less - Western States" by Mary Helen and Shuford Smith (647.9478);
- "Budget Dining and Lodging In New England" by Fran and Frank Sullivan (647.9475);
- "Fodor's Cottages B&B's and County Inns of England and Wales" by Elizabeth Gundry (914.2);
- "National Park Guide" by Michael Frome (917.3049);
- "Fodor's Vacations on the Jersey Shore" (917.4985);
- "Insight Guide to New York State" (917.47);
- and...

- "Florida Weekends: 52 Great Getaways" by Robert Tolf and Russel Buchan (917.5904).

In addition, the Agawam Public Library owns many of the famous "Fodor's" travel guides for various foreign and domestic destinations, as well as new editions of the complete "Mobil Travel Guide" and "A.A.A. TourBook" guides covering travel within the United States.

For additional information, contact the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, MA 01001, (413) 789-1550.

Volunteers Help With Charity Golf Tourney



OVER AT OAK RIDGE GOLF CLUB last week, helping out on the grills for the Edwards Food Warehouse Golf Tournament are, from left - Stew Safford, Dick Hopwell, Ken Norton, Paul (Mono) Strycharz, George Bickford, Ken Modzelesky, and Mike Drewnowski. RELATED PHOTO ON PREVIOUS PAGE.

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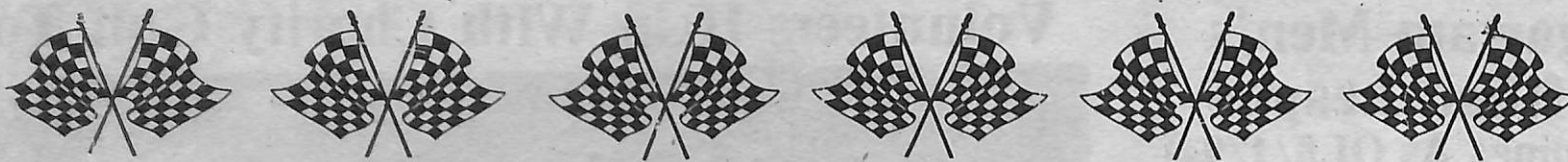
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RACING AT Riverside Speedway

500 Advance Sale Tickets Sold For Busch Grand National

Race director Ben Dodge, Jr., wasn't shocked when 500 tickets were sold in the first week for the Busch Grand National event scheduled at Riverside Park Speedway for August 27th; however, he admits that he was a little surprised.

"Nothing extra was done—the tickets went on sale and in five days, we sold 509 tickets! The interest is high because it is a race program that both national and local fans can relate to. Let's face it, the Busch Grand National as seen on ESPN, TNN, and CBS is a national draw," commented Dodge.

What's more, he added, the advance sale ticket is a real deal; compare it to any form of entertainment, and it's a bargain! For just \$18, you get free VIP parking, a complete Busch program with time trials, heats, and the 100-lap feature, plus the NASCAR tour-type Modifieds, Pro Stocks, Late Models, and Strictly Stocks (some divisions feature only).

These tickets are available by mail; send your check to Riverside Park Speedway, Box 307, Agawam, MA 01001. This \$18 offer is good until August 20th, and don't forget that this price includes admission to Riverside Amusement Park. (For kids 12 years of age and under, the price is just \$2.99; there are no advance tickets for kids, and these tickets can be bought on race day.)

Just to make it perfectly clear to the race fans, the advance ticket sale isn't the only point of interest for this event—the Scranton-Pontiac-GMC NAPA 100 has gained local recognition through its sponsorship of Tom Scranton. Tom has won both national and local recognition for his creative approach to selling Pontiac GMC Trucks.

"Riverside 500" Team Concept Highlight Of Racing Night On Saturday, August 6th

Ben Dodge, director of auto racing at Riverside Park Speedway in Agawam, MA, has done it again in his ever-innovative search for creative new racing concepts. The local speedway will present a team race based on the popular Riverside 500 concept of the past; the new test format will blend the suspense of the old with the excitement of the 90's.

On Saturday, August 6th, starting at 6:00 p.m., history-in-the-making will continue at Riverside when this new "Riverside 500" team concept for twin 75's will take place with the Modifieds and the Pro Stocks.

The concept for the event is unique with \$20,000 posted for the race. Because it is a team race, a \$1,000 team bonus will also be present to be divided among the top three teams. Real race legends will be expected, including such names as Renee Charland, Pete Hamilton, Bug Stevens, Leo Cleary, George Summers, and Dick Armstrong.

Teams will be determined through time trials on the day of the event in both the Modified and Pro Stocks divisions. Fast-time Modified drivers will be teamed with fast-time Pro Stock competitors, and each team for each division will run their own leg for 75 laps.

A driver may drive both 75-lap events, but he must drive the same car he is teamed with—he cannot drive for another team. The same process through times will give this event 22 race teams, based on the performance through time trials.

Once a team is locked in, you cannot change partners. The fast time will determine what leg or

75-lap feature division will run first (example: Pro Stock 75 or Modified 75).

This strategy of which feature goes first is really important; the line-up for the first feature is determined through time trials. Then, the finish of the first feature determines the starting spots of the second 75-lap feature, with the team partner starting in that position.

It is a unique and aggressive format for the twin 75-lap event. The teams, once determined, will pit together for each segment and work as a team unit. With \$20,000 up for grabs, it will be a great night for racing.

Support divisions also running on this evening will be the Late Models in a regular 25-lap event, the Strictly Stocks in a 20-lap race, and the real Legend cars will be racing a special event.

This unique evening of racing is priced at \$14.99 for adults, and \$2.99 for kids 12 years of age and under. The price of a pit fee for this sanctioned event is \$15.

Everyone over 16 years of age is welcome in the pit area, which will open at 11:00 a.m. Practice starts at 1:00 p.m., and the racing is slated to begin at 6:00 p.m.

Remember, Riverside Park Speedway runs each and every Saturday evening through October 31st. The weekly events have included many new changes this season, including seven-division specials, Enduros, and much more.

For more information, call (413) 786-9300, extension 3264, or write: Riverside Park Speedway, Box 307, Agawam, MA 01001.

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Racing At Riverside - continued...

Kopec Takes Riverside's July 30th Modified

It's never over until the checker is out, and this was certainly true on Saturday, July 30th, at Riverside Park Speedway in Agawam, MA—six different leaders in one of the wildest NASCAR tour-type Modified events ever for the Serv-U Auto Supply/Porter-Chester special event.

A crowd of 5,721 came out to witness the action, as Doug Meserve was the early leader in this event. Dave Berube eventually came from the pack to take the lead, then Jim Houghton came from the last-place position to take the number-one spot.

Still, the final restart and a transmission problem with Dave Berube gave this race even another different leader; this one was the one that counted the most, as **Chris Kopec** came from the back and an early pit to win the Modified main event in Budweiser action.

However, this event had even more action going for it. While contending for the lead, Rich Savary was forced out. Brian Schofield (another contender for the number-one spot) got dumped, and Dan Avery lost seven laps in the pits. Other victims on this "troublesome" night were Stan Greger, Wade Cole, Tom Jensen, and Ed Spiers.

At the checker, it was Chris Kopec for his third win in the Mutual Ford/McDonald's Pontiac, followed by Brian Schofield (sponsor wanted), Jim Houghton (Simoncini Racing), Dave Caruso (Judkins' 2X), and Bobby Gee (CVS/Oral B).

Rounding out the top 10 in this Modified feature were Tom Jensen (Jensen Crane), Dave Gallo, Fran Principi, Dave Berube, and Roy Sidell.

"I really didn't think about points; I just race to win, and this wasn't an easy win. Still, I will take it ... the way it worked out, I earned this one!" said Kopec, who also gave credit to his family, sponsors, and friends.

In the Pro Stocks, it looked like veteran Blaine Belz had the field covered for 18 laps, as **Scott Bouley**, Rick Turcotte, and Joe Barnes all swapped spots for the lead. Then, late in the feature, it was Joe Barnes who rolled end-over-end down the front straightaway; fortunately, Barnes was okay.

At the checker, it was Bouley who took the lead and drove a smooth line to hold off Blaine Belz, who ultimately took second place. Third was Rick Turcotte (Stafford Auto), followed by Eddy Carroll

(Carroll Motorsports) and Dave Berube.

Sixth through 10th were Jeff Horn (Willington Pizza), Tom Carey (Mobil 9), Jim Bainfield, John Lobo, and Dave Caruso.

Paul Lamonica led each and every lap of the Pro 4 Modified special event. As Renee Dupuis battled from the middle of the pack, Joe Lemay was involved with George Savary (eventually forcing Savary to the rear). In the closing laps, the top 10 positions were a toss-up.

At the checker following the deserving Lamonica, Renee Dupuis (\$1.00 Stores) earned second, Jerry Solomito took third, Joe Lemay came in fourth, and Mike Casey rounded out the top five.

Sixth through 10th were taken by Dave Lessard, Dick Dubois, Mark McDonald, Mark McLean, and Glenn Solomito.

Matt Bushior led the early laps of the Late Model feature, then Chuck Docherty led the field of heavy hitters. With less than 10 laps to go, Bushior led the fight to the front to take the number-one spot.

At the checker, it was a popular win for Bushior over Chuck Docherty, Gary Fioramanti, Glenn Griswold, and Ted Chalmers. Rounding out the top 10 in the event were Brian Merchant, Steve Fifield, Jim Roule, Rick Hartenstein, and Johnny Seybold.

In the Strictly Stocks, **Jeff Connors** won his second feature of the 1994 season over Vinny Buonocore, Herb Carlon, Roger Fujimoto, and Joe Arena.

Sixth through 10th in this race were earned by Alan Sudyka, Rob Valerio, Al Leone, Dave Ellison, and Chuck Allesio.

Sunday "Enduros" Begin August 7th At Riverside Speedway

What's an Enduro, anyway? That is a question that is often asked after seeing the word Enduro on the racing schedule for Riverside Park Speedway in Agawam, MA.

Fact is, an Enduro is another Riverside Speedway exclusive; a special type of entertainment that originated from two popular formats—a Demolition Derby and an Endurance event. It can be summed up in one key word ... "AWESOME!"

The format for Riverside's August Enduros (scheduled for August 7th and 21st at 6:00 p.m.) is basic and exciting. Over 100 cars compete in an Endurance race format style, which consists of four qualifying heat races on the Figure 8 course at the local speedway. Each race will consist of 20 laps, with 25 cars moving into the 100-lap Enduro feature event; this event also features a four-cylinder Enduro, trucks, 4 x 4 car crushing, Pro 4 Mods, Legend cars, Mini Stocks, and more.

All heat race winners will receive \$50 for each heat victory, plus a trophy. Additional "best appearing" car awards with a trophy will be presented for each race.

As for the Main Event Enduro, it's really simple. Here, the object of the game is to be the last car running up front, with a total of \$500 to be given to the winner.

Now, the Strictly Stock Division is also a part of this show, plus the half-ton truck contest. With all of this competition on hand, this evening of racing makes for one of the most popular types of death-defying excitement that you will ever see in one program!

Remember, the competitors in an Enduro are NOT professional drivers; these are people just like yourself.

Mandatory inspection opens at 11:00 a.m. on race day. All cars must be inspected and in the pits before 2:00 p.m.—NO EXCEPTIONS! Furthermore, all cars must be entered in advance, with licensed drivers only.

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Riverside Speedway Standings

(As Of July 30th)

MODIFIEDS		LATE MODELS		Wayne Coury	
Chris Kopec	302	Gee Perry	68	Mike Bushior	120
Reggie Ruggiero	302	Gary Fioramanti	64	Brian Merchant	116
Dan Avery	278	Ted Chalmers	58	Gene McClain	110
Steve Park	244	Fred LaForge	48		100
Stan Greger	238	Paul DiPisa	46	STRICTLY STOCKS	
Brian Schofield	188	STRICTLY STOCKS		Rob Valerio	400
Bobby Gegetsas	182	Chuck Alessio	66	Chuck Alessio	348
Doug Meservey	160	Rob Valerio	54	Roger Fujimoto	344
Eddy Spiers	152	Roy Houle	54	Scott Neleber	308
Bruce D'Alessandro	150	Bruce Battles	44	Herb Carlon	270
Brian Miller	148	Roger Fujimoto	38	Al Leone	262
Richard Savary	140	Snap-On-Tools Championship Series (After 2 Events)		Vinnie Buonocore	256
Tom Jensen	134			Roy Houle	230
Jim Houghton	132			Ken Marques	220
Dave Berube	122			Todd Owen	212
PRO STOCKS				Joe Arena	210
John Lobo	276			Bruce Battles	210
Dave Caruso	272	MODIFIEDS		Larry Bouchard	148
Tom Fearn	232	Reggie Ruggiero	50	Jay Miller	146
Eddy Carroll	226	Dan Avery	48	P.J. Pelc	136
Tom Carey	222	Bruce D'Alessandro	42	PRO 4 MODIFIEDS	
Lou Prior	180	Steve Park	32	Glenn Solomito	154
Bill Lauridsen	174	Chris Kopec	30	George Savary	136
Ed Carroll	160			Joe LeMay	132
Barry Gray	152	PRO STOCKS		Renee Dupuis	122
Jeff Horn	150	Barry Gray	50	Mike Petrizzo	96
Dave Berube	128	Ed Carroll	44		
Ted Hebert	126	Sumner Chapman	38	NAPA Championship Series (Thru 4 Events)	
Sumner Chapman	122	Tom Fearn	28		
Scott Bouley	118	Eddy Carroll	28		
Rick Turcotte	110	LATE MODELS		MODIFIEDS	
LATE MODELS		Ted Chalmers	40	Reggie Ruggiero	72
Gee Perry	326	Gee Perry	36	Chris Kopec	60
Gary Fioramanti	322	Marty Leary	32	Dan Avery	54
Chuck Docherty	312	Fred LaForge	32	Steve Park	44
Ted Chalmers	280	Rocco Mazziotto	30	Brian Schofield	40
Fred LaForge	228	STRICTLY STOCKS		PRO STOCKS	
Glenn Griswold	214	Roger Fujimoto	40	Dave Caruso	66
Marty Leary	204	Chuck Alessio	34	John Lobo	62
Joe Czarnecki	172	Allan Sudyka	28	Tom Carey	52
Rick Hartenstein	152	Dave Ellisson	26	Lou Prior	48
Steve Fifield	136	Larry Bouchard	26	Tom Fearn	44
Rocco Mozziotto	126				

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He is a trend-setter who's way ahead of his time, always looking to be a leader. Knowing that, it is obvious why Scranton-Pontiac-GMC NAPA 100 is the major sponsor of this Riverside Busch Grand National event on Saturday, August 27th.

Other sponsors that have already joined to support this program include NAPA Auto Parts, Pontiac Motorsports, Hoffman Olds, Budweiser, Performance Centers of America, and Start/Finish Communications. The total event will feature \$100,000 in cash and prizes for the competitors.

As for the drivers, they are ready and in full swing. Tom Rosati will be returning, as will Mike

Stefanik, Kelly Moore, Jamie Aubie, Dick McCabe, Ken Wallace, Stub Fadden, Tom Bolles, and Brian Ross. To date, over 35 drivers have pre-entered this event.

Plus, Modified division drivers such as Reggie Ruggiero, Steve Park, Jerry Marquis, Stan Greger, and Dan Avery will be in force for this time-trialed special event; this means that the trials will attract many outsiders (for example, the Pro Stocks have been drawing over 35 cars weekly).

So, don't miss the biggest event of the season at Riverside Park Speedway ... the Scranton-Pontiac-GMC NAPA 100 Busch Grand National on Saturday, August 27th!

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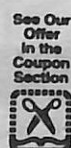
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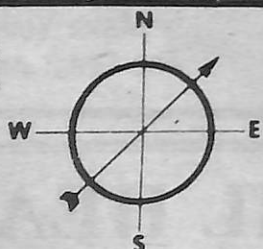


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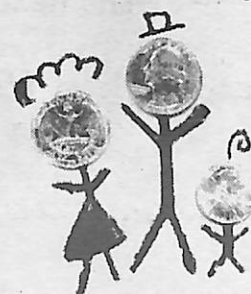
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